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OFF FOR AFRICA.

LORD ROBERTS GOES TO HIS NEW COMMAND.

ENTHUSIASTIC FAREWELLS

MUCH ADO MADE IN LONDON OVER THE EVENT.

NOTABLES AT THE TRAIN

IMMENSE CROWDS PRESS TO SEE HIM OFF.

London, Dec. 23.—Field Marshal Lord Roberts, who is to assume command of the British forces in South Africa, left Waterloo railroad station at noon today, amidst scenes of enthusiasm vividly demonstrating the national interest in the event and the belief that the departure of the general can be accepted as a guarantee that whatever can be done in South Africa will be carried out by thoroughly competent hands and on carefully matured lines. Although only privileged persons were permitted to enter the station this did not prevent the gathering of immense throngs at all the approaches and other points of vantage, who cheered repeatedly as "Bobs," accompanied by his wife and two daughters, drove up. Seldom has the terminus witnessed such an inspiring send-off.

FIELD MARSHAL CHEERED.

Every appearance of the field marshal was the signal for ringing hurrahs, lusty shouts and good wishes. The moment the veteran commander arrived he was surrounded by military officers and other friends and held a semi-private reception in the waiting room. After personal leave-takings, Lord Roberts reached the platform, where general greetings and parting words were exchanged. Many ladies pressed eagerly forward to get a last handshake, expressed deep sympathy with the distinguished soldier in his recent bereavement and bid him God-speed. One woman, with her eyes filled with tears, exclaimed:

"God bless you and bring you safely back to us."

This wish was echoed and re-echoed in varying phraseology by hundreds thronging the vicinity of the train.

As the general joined his wife and daughters at the door of the saloon carriage he was speedily surrounded by distinguished statesmen and military men, including A. J. Balfour, the Marquis of Lansdowne, Field Marshal Sir Donald Stewart and Lieutenant Colonel Carington, the queen's equerry.

Lord Wolseley and others arrived late and it required all the efforts of the police to clear a passage for them.

Scarcely had the commander-in-chief joined Lord Roberts when a great cheer announced the approach of the Duke of Cambridge. The crush was so great that the duke, in spite of police protection, was so hustled that more than once he gave verbal expression of resentment at the rough treatment he had to submit to, and the police redoubled their efforts, finally enabling the Duke of Cambridge to reach Lord Roberts, though in the confusion the police thrust aside many who were best entitled to remain, including Lord Wolseley, who however, took the rough handling of the police good humoredly. The ladies present suffered much crowding, but their piteous appeals were unavailing to stem the crush. Renewed cheering heralded the Duke of Connaught's arrival.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS.

Then rousing cheers momentarily diverted from the hero of the hour as the Prince of Wales appeared and greeted Lord Roberts in the most cordial manner. The prince and the distinguished general engaged in earnest conversation and furnished a striking center to a notable group, which included no less than five field marshals.

Lord Roberts, who was in mourning dress, looked fit for anything. In spite of his 67 years he was straight and soldierly and his rugged frame reflected determination.

At the time the train was due to start the Prince of Wales again shook hands with Lord Roberts and spoke a few words to the general, of which the phrases "God bless you," "good luck to you," were caught by those near by.

Mr. Balfour bade Lord Roberts a similar farewell. Midst the din, enthusiasm and excitement, no one heard the signals for departure and in consequence the train was moving while Lord Roberts was still on the platform with his back to the carriage door. The farewells were abruptly terminated and he was forced to make a somewhat undignified scramble for his seat.

As the general disappeared in the saloon carriage, a lusty cheer was started and continued until the train passed out of sight.

DESERTED THE MAINE.

London, Dec. 23.—The American hospital ship Maine sailed from the West India docks for Cape Town at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon minus five of the male assistants supplied from the New York hospitals. One of these men is said to have expected promotion to a non-commissioned officer's rank. He succeeded in enlisting four friends, who, a moment before the ship sailed, notified Major Cabell of their refusal to go, saying one of their number was ill and they had determined to stay.

Major Cabell informed them that their friend had been left in good hands and that there was no reason to desert. The men, however, made other complaints, whereupon Major Cabell informed them that they had plenty of time to consider this beforehand, but if they refused to go they must sign off the rolls and leave the ship. This the men did, and standing on the deck, they shouted: "We are too good Americans to leave a sick friend here for anyone."

As the incident occurred at the last moment Major Cabell only had time to say to a representative of the Associated Press:

"These men came at the last minute to declare that they would leave, making general complaint of ill-treatment which I am unable to fathom. Some of the papers called them 'orderlies,' which they seem inclined to resent."

FUNERAL OCCURS TUESDAY

TIME FOR OBSEQUIES OVER MR. MOODY FIXED.

Public Services Will Be Held in Northfield—Condolences Come From All Over World.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 23.—Yielding to pressure brought to bear by friends the family of D. L. Moody today decided to defer the funeral of Mr. Moody until Tuesday afternoon instead of holding it on Monday, as at first they intended to do. Some of the details were arranged during this forenoon, and it was made known later that the family had consented that public services should be held in the Congregational church at 2:30 o'clock. The body will lie in state at the church during the morning. Rev. C. J. Scholfield, pastor of the church, will officiate, assisted by Rev. R. A. Torrey, of Chicago, and addresses will be made by men who have been associated with Mr. Moody in his work.

Messages of condolence, which began to come yesterday, were received in increased numbers today. Upwards of 100 telegrams from all parts of the United States with several cablegrams had been received up to 11 o'clock.

Rev. F. B. Meyer, of London, who has been a prominent speaker at Northfield and who with Mr. Moody held meetings in several of the large cities of the country last fall, cabled from London, and among the messages from this country were those from Commander Booth Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. John Wanamaker, Louis Klopsch, of the Christian Herald, and Geo. B. Stadd, of Los Angeles, Cal.

Several relatives and close friends of the family arrived here during the forenoon.

AN UNFORTUNATE WOMAN.

Peru, Ind., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Lizzie Marquiss, who acknowledged to Deputy Sheriff Albert Potter that she poisoned her relatives, hoping to kill her husband, from whom she had been separated for some time, is now in jail here awaiting to be transferred to the insane asylum at Logansport. Yesterday she drank a quantity of diluted carbolic acid, intending to destroy her life, but a physician saved her. A bottle of undiluted carbolic acid was taken away from her. Her mother, Mrs. David Crippen, who was affected by the poisoned coffee more than any of the others, is recovering.

ONLY TEN KILLED.

Rome, Dec. 23.—It now appears that the disaster at Amalfi, on the Gulf of Salerno yesterday afternoon, caused by the rock on which stood the Capuccini hotel, sliding bodily into the sea, was not so extensive as at first supposed. Only ten persons were killed.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dinius and Miss Ada Crawford leave this evening to visit at Roanoke.

HOLIDAY HORROR.

ELEVEN LITTLE ONES PERISH BY FLAMES.

A HOLOCAUST AT QUINCY, ILL.

ST. FRANCIS SCHOOL PUPILS BURNED TO DEATH.

WAS CHRISTMAS REHEARSAL

HORRIBLE SCENES WITNESSED BY THE PARENTS.

Quincy, Ill., Dec. 23.—While the school children of St. Francis parochial school, Seventeenth and Vine streets, were rehearsing early last evening for an entertainment to be given next Tuesday evening, one of their dresses caught fire from a gas jet and ten minutes later four of them were burned to death, two died an hour later and five others died before midnight. Half a dozen others were burned more or less severely.

The dead:

Irene Freiburg.
May Wavering.
Mary Althoff.
Bernadina Freund.
Colletta Middendorf.
Mary Hickey.
Wilhelmina Guttendorf.
Oliva Timpe.
Addie Futter.
Josephine Bohne.
Margaret Warner.

All these are between nine and eleven years of age. Helen Soebbing and several other teachers, Father Nicholas and Professor Frank Mushold, were painfully burned in trying to save the children.

The fire started in a little dressing room. Three of four little girls were there dressing for the rehearsal and laughing gaily among themselves. A dozen others were grouped in the wings of the stage near the foot of the stairs descending from the dressing room. The girls in the dressing room had nearly completed their costumes when one of them brushed against the gas jet, but which girl it was will never be known. A touch of the flame was sufficient, and in an instant her dress of cotton and light cloth was in a blaze. She screamed and ran out of the room, communicating the blaze to the others as she ran.

One of the girls with her dress in a blaze jumped out of a small window into the stairs leading to the stage and down the stairs. A flaming torch she was, as she almost fell down the stairs and rushed into the groups of children standing in the wings. They were all clad like her, in fancy costumes of cotton, lace and silk, and the fire spread with incredible rapidity from one to the other. There were fourteen children in the cast of the Christmas entertainment and only a few escaped. It was all over in ten minutes and in that time four perished, seven were fatally burned and others more or less severely injured.

The children were panic stricken and rushed this way and that, screaming with pain. But the agony was brief. Only a few minutes elapsed and then four of them sank to the floor dead. Others fell, too, but they still lived, suffering excruciating agony.

The school hall was filled with children and many more would have been killed in the panic which followed had it not been for the prompt efforts of the teachers and sisters who were in charge of the entertainment and were present. The children were in a panic for a few minutes and rushed for the doors, but prompt efforts quieted them and no one was hurt in the rush.

Frank Mushold, a teacher of the school, was standing at the foot of the stairs from the dressing room when he heard the cry of "fire" and turning to where it came from, saw the flash of flame in the dressing room. He was half way up the stairs at one bound when he met a child rushing and tumbling down, a mass of flames from head to foot. Tearing off his coat he threw it around the blazing child and endeavored to extinguish the flames, but, crazed by pain and fright, she jumped out of his arms and rushed on down past him, still wrapped in his coat, into the group of other children standing about in the wings of the stage.

The shrieks and screams of the injured were agonizing. The little ones lay helpless and impotent on the floor and writhed about in their agony. The dead were charred in most cases beyond recognition. The home of peaceful pleasure had in an instant become a charnel house. The doctors flittered about on their missions of mercy, seeking to supply soothing lotions to those who were still alive and seeking also to cover the charred bodies of the dead with blankets or other covering. The excitement inside the building was soon intensified by the situation without. The crowds congregated in an instant and parents soon came searching anxiously for their little ones. The landing at the third floor was a combination of hospital and morgue.

All the telephone lines in the neighborhood were in service summoning surgeons and in a very few moments nearly all the doctors in town were on hand. Besides the many patients within the smoke-stained walls there were dozens of fainting and heart-broken women without. They screamed as some of the scenes came to them and if the child or loved one was among the dead and wounded their grief gained the mastery and there was a collapse which required the attention of the doctors.

SUES FOR $10,000 DAMAGES

FREDERICK T. RATHERT ASKS FOR THAT SUM

From the Pennsylvania Company for Injuries Received While a Brakeman.

Aiken & Dawson, attorneys for Frederick T. Rathert, have filed a suit for $10,000 against the Pennsylvania railway company. Mr. Rathert alleges in his complaint that he was employed as a brakeman by the defendant on May 15, 1898, and on that day was discharging his duties as such brakeman near Bucyrus, Ohio. There is an interlocking switch near where he was at work and he was giving a signal to the switchman. The covers over the wires connected with the interlocking switch were uncovered and while on the ladder of one of the cars his feet caught in these wires and he was thrown face downward, receiving bruises and being seriously mangled, one of his lower limbs being broken. The train caught the switch and he was turned over and over and injured internally. He alleges further that he was left in an outhouse for eighteen hours with his wet and bloody clothes on, the defendant refusing to stop a passenger train which had passed within fifteen minutes after the accident, and have him carried to a suitable place to secure attention. As a result aggravated inflammation was produced in all the injured parts and the plaintiff's condition made dangerous and worse and permanently incapacitating him from following his usual avocation and earning wages with which to support his family. He asserts that he will be a sufferer the balance of his days and therefore demands damages in the sum of $10,000.

NOTES.

County Auditor Meyer presented each of his employes with a handsome umbrella as a Christmas present.

Circuit court has adjourned until next Tuesday.

Justice France fined Isaac Bixler $1 and costs for leaving a house under quarantine.

The jury in the case of Martin vs. Koch retired to deliberate this afternoon.

The county commissioners have approved the plans and specifications for hardware to be used in the new court house.

WILL MEET HERE.

Chairman W. J. Vesey, of the Twelfth congressional district, has issued an official call to the republicans for a delegate convention, to be held at Fort Wayne on Tuesday, January 16, at 1 o'clock p. m., to elect one member of the state central committee. The several counties of the district are entitled to representation as follows: Allen, 31; DeKalb, 13; Lagrange, 10; Noble, 15; Steuben, 12; Whitley, 10.

LADIES ELECT OFFICERS.

Concordia lodge No. 41, Degree of Rebekah (German) held its election last evening, with the following result: Mrs. Henrietta Zink, N. G.; Mrs. Ida Jenney, V. G.; Mrs. Lizzie Endroecher, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary Rohrer, financial secretary; Mrs. Susan Hauss, treasurer; Carl Wehnert, trustee for three years.

Miss Lulu Berg is a guest of friends in Auburn, Ind.

MANY ARE KILLED

TERRIFIC MINE EXPLOSION IN PENNSYLVANIA.

HALF A HUNDRED VICTIMS

SIX DEAD HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM THE MINE.

FORTY ARE YET IN THE MINE

IT IS BELIEVED THAT ALL ARE DEAD.

Brownsville, Pa., Dec. 23.—Six recovered bodies and forty entombed miners, none of whom it is believed has survived, are the results of an explosion at the Braznell coal works four miles from this city this morning.

As soon as it was learned an explosion had occurred the relatives of the miners congregated around the mouth of the drift. The scenes were heartrending to witness.

The explosion at the Braznel shaft is likely to be the worst since the Hill mine disaster at Dunbar. The explosion was terrific and was heard plainly at Brownsville, three miles distant. The main shaft was totally wrecked and rendered helpless.

About four cages of men had gone down to work. Mr. Thomas, the cage man, on his fourth trip, went to the bottom with fourteen men and gave the signal for the cage to rise when the explosion occurred. The cage was blown with terrific force to the top of the shaft and fell back to the bottom, completely blocking access to the mine. Timbers were hurled hundreds of feet, the lower ring of brick work in the air shaft was completely wrecked and had to be tunneled to get into the mine at all.

Eleven men have been gotten out, one, Albert Meese, aged fourteen, died after reaching the air.

One hand and a foot and one shoe were blown from the mine and found on top of the shaft. After tunnelling the wreckage of the bottom of the air shaft, two men in the underground mule stable were found alive, but almost suffocated from bad air. The mine is supposed to be on fire, as a dense volume of smoke hinders the entrance of the rescue parties into the mine.

Mine Inspector Henry Louttitt, of Monongahela, is on the ground, as is also Mr. Seddon, of the Albany mine, and S. H. Persall and James I. Thornton, of the Knob Coal works. Drs. Smith, Rechard and Shoemaker, of Brownsville, are there ready to relieve the suffering. One man of the rescue party went to the bottom of the air shaft and was brought up by a rope almost dead, so there is very little, if any hope for the forty or fifty men yet in the mine. The machinery is in such a shape that the fan cannot be worked, which prevents forcing fresh air to the entombed men. It is thought they are all dead, as the bad air and smoke issuing from the mine indicates a terrible condition inside.

The work of rescue is necessarily slow, as the rescuers have to dig their way into the men, so great was the force of the explosion.

A thousand people are about the mouth of the mine awaiting anxiously any bit of news that may come from below, and wives, fathers, mothers and children weeping for loved ones, make pathetic scenes. One year ago, just the day before Christmas, a number were killed in a mine explosion at the Umpire mine and again many homes will be saddened on Christmas day under similar circumstances.

STRIKING DIVORCE STATISTICS.

Logansport, Ind., Dec. 23.—From a comparative standpoint of population, Cass county is keeping pace with her neighbors in divorces. The record shows that from February 23, 1896, to the same date in 1897, sixty-eight divorces were granted; from February 23, 1897, to February 23, 1898, seventy-six divorces were granted, and the year following ninety-two marriages were severed; a total in three years of 236 divorces. During the first year there were 345 marriages, the second 310 and the third 329, making a total of 984 marriages. In the first period there was one divorce to five marriages, in the second one divorce to four marriages and in the third one divorce to three and a half marriages. These figures were appalling to a local minister, and he called upon prominent judges and lawyers in this city to procure opinions on the frequency of divorce, the cause and remedy. Attorney G. A. Myers said that there were too many ill-matched marriages, too many marry too young, and their riper acquaintance shows an utter incompatibility of temperment. Judge Chase jocosely said: "It is the preachers' fault. Let them teach the people better." Judge Dykeman was of the opinion that it was the judges' fault, saying that when he was on the bench he made some men go out of the state to get a divorce. Attorney G. C. Tabor remarked that it was the uncivilized nature of people, and that not often did church members apply for severance of marital bonds. Members of the legal fraternity generally were inclined to believe that the laws were loose, while Judge Baldwin was in favor of the enactment of laws to prevent the offending party from marrying for a period of five years after divorce has been granted. The judge suggested radical changes in the state law.

HELD ON FEDERAL WARRANT

CHARLES H. COLE IS UNDER ARREST IN CALIFORNIA.

Former President of the Globe National Bank of Boston Faces Serious Charge.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 23.—Chas. H. Cole, former president of the Globe National bank, of Boston, which failed on Thursday last, was arrested at Redondo by United States Marshal Osborne, today, and brought to this city. The arrest was made on a warrant charging him with misappropriation of government funds. The information was sent from Boston to United State Attorney Flint and arrived last night. Mr. Cole, accompanied by his wife and son, arrived in the city last Saturday and registered at the Van Nuys hotel. Yesterday they went to Redondo. He made no attempt to conceal his identity, though evidently aware that his arrest was probable. Mr. Cole's son stated that his father knows absolutely nothing about the bank's affairs. He resigned from the presidency of the institution about two months ago. The family went from Boston to Salt Lake City, Mr. Cole having mining interests there, and later came to Los Angeles on account of Mr. Cole's health.

Mr. Cole has been connected with the Globe bank for thirty years and his resignation caused a sensation in Boston. The prisoner will be held here awaiting advices from Boston.

MAY CAUSE MUCH LITIGATION.

Warsaw, Ind., Dec. 23.—Evidence brought out in a ditch lien case coming to the Kosciusko circuit court from the Whitley circuit court, on a change of venue, may result in showing that many of the judgments obtained in the Whitley circuit court are invalidated. The Whitley circuit court is presided over by Judge Adair, and since his occupancy of the bench he has persistently refrained from signing the records of the Whitley circuit court or the proceedings thereof, holding that it was entirely unnecessary. This matter has just been brought to light in the case of Line against Wolf. The plaintiff was endeavoring to enforce a ditch lien judgment and get possession of certain real estate taken as the property of Wolf. The defendant's attorneys took the ground that the judgment obtained against Wolf in the Whitley circuit court was void because the records of the court were not signed by Presiding Judge Adair. Then the case was withdrawn from the jury and a compromise was effected, which prevented a ruling on the point raised by Judge Briggs in the Kosciusko circuit court. In the opinion of legal authorities here the failure of Judge Adair to sign the Whitley circuit court records will affect the title to many judgments already rendered in the Whitley circuit court and cause a great amount of litigation.

WILL BUILD A HOTEL.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 23.—The Examiner says that it is the intention of the Crocker estate company to erect a modern fire proof family hotel, to cost about one million dollars, at Van Ness avenue and Sutter street, in this city.

P. J. Fallon, of the Indianapolis pension agency, is spending the holidays with old friends in the city.

Mrs. Maggie Knepp and daughter, of Logansport, are here, visiting the lady's sister, Mrs. C. L. Hepp.

THE TRAIL IS HOT.

AGUINALDO HAS RECENTLY PASSED BAYOMBONG.

THE REBEL WAS GOING SOUTH

FILIPINO LEADER'S WIFE RECENTLY DIED.

DEATH WAS AT BAYOMBONG

OTIS SAYS TROOPS ARE NEAR AGUINALDO.

Manila, Dec. 23.—Colonel Wilder has telegraphed to Vigan from Bayombong that Aguinaldo has crossed the mountains near Bayombong, going southward. His wife died in a village in that vicinity.

NEWS FROM OTIS.

Washington, Dec. 23.—A cablegram from General Otis was received at the war department today giving the first news for some time of the detachments under Colonels Hare and Howe, who are pursuing Aguinaldo. General Otis' advices indicate that they are close upon the insurgent leader and also state that four of the American prisoners have been retaken, though Captain Gilmore is still in the hands of the enemy.

A DISTINGUISHED PARTY.

The private car of Hon. Frank Murphy, of the Santa Fe railroad, attached to Pennsylvania train No. 9, last evening, carried a distinguished party of statesmen, and stopped for a few minutes in Fort Wayne. It was the senate committee on territories, and in the party were Senators Shoup, Spooner, Hetfield, Carter and Allen, together with Hon. W. L. Penfield, of Auburn, now a solicitor for the state department. They were the guests of Governor Murphy and his brother, Frank Murphy, and were in route to Arizona to look after some irrigation interests, and to make some investigation as to the fitness of that territory for admission to statehood. Dr. McAllister met the party at the train and greeted a number of personal friends among the statesmen.

TROUBLE AT EDGERTON.

Sheriff Melching was called to Edgerton Friday night, where he was told the four Small brothers, of Smiley, Ohio, were having a high old time and frightening the residents of the little town. Sheriff Melching and Deputies Whitney and Witte visited the town, but the Small brothers had learned of their coming and skipped to Ohio. They threatened to come back today and the sheriff had issued a warrant for rioting and returned to the city at 2 o'clock this morning. He left Deputies Whitney and Witte at Edgerton with orders to prevent trouble and nothing had been heard from them at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

MAUMEE LODGE ELECTS.

New officers have been elected by Maumee lodge, No. 50, A. O. U. W., to serve for a term of six months, beginning January 1, and the chosen ones are as follows: M. J. Henderson, past master; Charles Sunderland, master workman; John Culver, foreman; George Meyers, overseer; W. E. Keller, recorder; H. L. Williamson, financier; A. F. Robbe, receiver; William Brawnsberger, guide; John Koenig, inside watch; William Whitlock, outside watch; A. F. Robbe, representative to the grand lodge; George A. Sthnir, alternate.

CONFERRED WITH BANKERS.

New York, Dec. 23.—Secretary of the Treasury Lyman T. Gage, who is in this city, held a conference at the sub-treasury with James Stillman, president of the National City bank; J. Pierpont Morgan and Assistant Treasurer Jordan. Mr. Morgan, who remained but a short time, refused to say what had taken place at the conference or what matters had been discussed.

FOUR WERE KILLED.

Palmyrie, Mo., Dec. 23.—Peter Nichol, a well-to-do farmer, was returning home in a wagon when a train struck and demolished the vehicle at a railroad crossing, killing the old man, one of his daughters and two grandchildren. Another daughter was badly injured.

Miss Della Stoner left today for Larwill to visit over Christmas.

OF LOCAL INTEREST.

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WAR FEVER HIGH.

BRITISH MEN ARE EAGER TO VOLUNTEER.

NOBILITY FULL OF FIGHT

MEN OF TITLE WILL GO TO THE FRONT.

WEALTHY EQUIPPING TROOPS

BAD NEWS HAS INJURIOUS EFFECT ON SOCIETY.

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London, Dec. 23.—"A baron of beef for the queen's Christmas will be roasted next Saturday, Dec. 23d, at the great kitchen fire, Windsor, in readiness for the royal dinner party on Monday. The great joint, when cold, will be garnished with the royal and imperial monogram in shredded horse radish, and with a boar's head and game pie, will assist in adorning her majesty's sideboard on Christmas day."

This quaint announcement in the court circular, with the spirit of royal plenty breathed in every line, sounds like a hollow mockery of the sorrow and shadow of death which have turned the season of rejoicing into one of mourning.

BAD NEWS WORKS EVIL.

"Bad news from the Cape," writes one society authority, "has made London the dreariest city in the world at this season, when it ought to be the most gay."

Though this may be exaggerated, there is certainly much truth in it.

The queen will spend Christmas at Windsor, instead of, as for years, at Osborne, owing to her wish to be near the cabinet, thereby sacrificing a habit very dear to her for years past. With her will be the duchess of Albany and her children.

The prince of Wales will spend Christmas at Sandringham and the duke and duchess of York will also be there. But, neither at Windsor, at Sandringham, nor in the noblest or lowest homes of Great Britain will there be much merrymaking, for with 7,000 men killed, wounded or missing in South Africa there are few families which have not been touched with this depression, which only serves to make the nation more determined than ever and which came as a silent accompaniment to one of the most spontaneous outbursts of patriotism and universal desire to risk life and give up property that ever marked the history of any country.

NOBILITY IS WARLIKE.

Cooks' sons are less anxious to serve their country on the battle field than dukes' sons or dukes themselves.

The duke of Marlborough's offer to equip 150 men of his yeomanry regiment for service in South Africa is merely one among hundreds of such offers from his class. Peers with vast business, property and political interests, are exhibiting the utmost eagerness in their desire to have their names enrolled among the volunteers who are going to endeavor to retrieve the reverses to the British arms.

The day of wild war enthusiasm and overconfidence has passed and there reigns in its stead a grim determination to atone for the mistakes of the past by individual effort, regardless of consequences.

As an instance of the spirit which pervades the country is that in the Cumberland and Westmoreland yeomanry, of which the earl of Lonsdale is colonel, every officer and nearly every man in the regiment has volunteered and is using every influence to get accepted. Among the officers is Capt. Hugh Jefferson, well known in America, formerly manager of the Sand Creek Cattle company, of Wyoming. The duke of Marlborough will probably receive an appointment on Lord Chesham's staff.

A RIVALRY TO FIGHT.

In the northern counties there is keen rivalry as to who shall do the most for his country in the hour of need. Northumbrians, headed by Earl Grey, have subscribed large sums to equip 100 men, and the earl of Durham calls on the men of his county not to be outdone by the Northumbrians and heads the list with a substantial subscription.

Lords Stanley and Wolverton go as yeomanry troopers, though the former was at one time an officer in the guards and the latter is an admiral's son. Two nephews of General Lord Roberts, both ex-majors of the regular army, have volunteered to go in any capacity in the yeomanry. The earl of Essex, who is a major of the Hertfordshire yeomanry, accompanies the contingent of his county.

ROUGH RIDER KIND.

In short, the 8,000 men who have responded to the call for yeomanry will have the brains, blood, muscle and dare-devilry of the famous American rough riders.

By the death this week of the earl of Tankerville, Lord Bennett, who married Miss Leonora Van Marter, of Tacoma, succeeds to the title. The new earl is a well known evangelist. He met his wife at a revival meeting at Tacoma in 1895. The earl was the oldest member of the house of lords. His career was marked by many eccentricities.

The theaters are feeling the effects of the gloomy phase of the war. The most popular attractions are suffering. Even at the Shaftsbury, where "The Belle of New York" had come to be regarded as a permanent institution, notices are up that the company returns to New York forthwith. The sudden withdrawal of this company, however, is due partly to a row between the company and the managers over a play which was ultimately to succeed "The Belle of New York."

"The Black Tulip" has failed at the Haymarket, and Barrie's new comedy not being ready as a stop-gap for the season, an old comedy will be substituted.

Ada Rehan returns to the stage in the spring, opening at Manchester. After a long provincial tour she will appear in London.

ARE TWO MUSICIANS UNIONS

AN INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN FORMED.

Delegates Will be Seated in the Trades and Labor Council Tomorrow.

Fort Wayne now has two musicians' unions. The trouble between the local musicians has for years been the disturbing element in the labor movement of Fort Wayne. Two or three years ago there was a fight for a charter from the American Federation of Musicians and the musicians composing the City band were granted a charter. The Trades and Labor council, after much discussion, seated delegates elected by this union but the best of feeling did not always prevail and finally the union withdrew its delegates from the council.

The Trades and Labor council recently made an effort to have all competent local musicians admitted to the local union of the federation and the members of the union were willing provided certain agreements would be entered into. In the present union there are not more than thirty members, while in the union organized last night there are forty-three. The older members saw loss of power and did not want to admit new members unless they would be given certain guarantees. These could not be agreed upon and an effort was made to bring President Owen Miller here, but he failed to come, and the result is an independent union, which has been organized under the auspices of the Trades and Labor council. The members of the Olympia and Wayne Tent bands and Swaidner's orchestra compose the new union. The officers of the new union are:

President—W. A. Hall.
Vice-President—William Mills.
Secretary—Louis Schroeder.
Treasurer—John Byers.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Ed Miller.
Board of Directors—W. A. Hall, G. A. Shober, W. Kemp, Louis Schroeder and Ed J. Swnidner.

Christmas being on Monday, the Trades and Labor council will hold its regular meeting Sunday afternoon and it is understood the delegates from the new union will then be seated.

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TO HAVE SPECIAL SERVICES

SPLENDID PROGRAMS ARE TO BE GIVEN SUNDAY.

Plymouth Church, Christ's English Lutheran and St. Patrick's Catholic.

At Plymouth Congregational church special Christmas services, both Sunda morning and evening; Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. and Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. At 10:45 service:

Song—"Christian Bells.....Primary Class
Song—"Little Soldiers".....Primary Class
Christmas Song—"To Victory".....Solo and Chorus
Anthem—"Unfold, Ye Portals"...Choir
Solo—"The Universal King".....Miss Gibson
Christmas Sermon.Rev. J. S. Ainslie
—At 7:30 p. m.—
Carol—"Joy Among the Angels."
"The Message of the Bells".....Large Chorus
Scripture and Prayer.....By pastor
"The Shepherd's Song".....Solo and Chorus
Address.....Mr. Paul Mossman
Duet—"The First Christmas Night" Misses Johnson and Davis and chorus
Solo—"Praise the Lord".....Miss Gibson
"Ring Out, Glad Bells".....Miss Lawson and chorus.
Message.....Rev. J. S. Ainslie
Carol—"Oh, Ring Ye Bells, the Story."
Christmas Cantata, by Sunday school, Monday evening, and treat for all the scholars.
Last prayer and conference meeting of the year, Wednesday evening.

The pastor of the South Congregational church will discourse at 10:45 a. m. upon a Christmas theme—"Appearance versus Realities"; Christmas services at 7:30 p. m.; Bible school, 9:30 a. m.; Junior Christian Endeavor, 3:00; Senior, 6:30. D. T. Williams, pastor.

CHRIST'S ENGLISH LUTHERAN.

Christ's Evangelical (Gen. Syn. Eng.) Lutheran church, Jefferson and Webster streets, L. J. Motschman, pastor—The day will be wholly devoted to the Christmas festival. At 9:30 Sunday school, "Christ's Coming Foretold"; 10:45 a. m., sermon, "Angels Singing on Earth," or the "Gloria in Excelsis"; 6:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor, "Our Royal Brother"; at 7:30 p. m. will occur the annual celebration of Christmas by the Sunday school when the following program will be rendered:

Anthem.....Choir
Christmas Lesson and Prayer.....Rev. Motschman
Christmas.....Georgia Ruhl
"Blue Eyes and His Christmas".....Clyde Stout
"Bells Across the Snow".....Ethel Lechler
"A Little Girl's Christmas".....Mildred Rollins
Song.....School
"How Santa Claus Came".....Edwin Beard
"Watching In" Christmas.....Mattie Rousch
Solo.....Irene Kelsey
"Mistletoe and Holly".....Thomas Rudolph
"It Shall Never Pass Away".....Clara Heischman
Song.....Primary Class
"Christmas Love"...Cecilia Schroyer
"The Shepherd Boy"—Organ and Violin.....G. D. Wilson
Misses Walters and Glorr.
"The True Santa Claus".....Hazel Smutz
"A Christmas Wish"...Irene Sibert
"In the Manger Cradle".....Edith Webster
Song.....School
"Old Christmas".....Ida Brown
"Christmas Emblems"..Nellie Price
Duet..Lillie Downy and Clara Keys
"Hang Up the Stocking".....Lenora Stadler
A Christmas Exercise.....Ten boys and girls
"Visit to Santa Claus".Ethel Lechler
"Bob's Violin".....Otto Sibert
Violin and Organ.....Clara and Henry Herbst
Anthem.....Choir
Benediction and distribution of Christmas treat.

SUNDAY CHRISTMAS SERVICE.

The Christmas musical at Westminster church will be given Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, instead of in the evening, as was announced, and a very excellent program has been arranged for this musical service:

Organ voluntary.....Batiste
Miss Lindeman.
Halleluiah...Farmer's Mass. B flat
Westminster quartet.
Advent hymn.....Pusisuti Nevin
Mr. H. F. Heuer.
The Heavenly Message.....Coombs
Miss Carrie Hughes.
Star of Bethlehem...Stephen Adams
Mrs. LeRoy Plummer.
Kreutzer Sonata.....Beethoven
Miss Lindeman.
O Christ Redeemer....B. Cecil Klein
Mr. H. F. Heuer.
O That I Had Wings Like a Dove.....J. More Sunelton
Westminster quartet.

An address will be given by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Leeper, D. D., on the "Birth of Christianity."

AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

A. M. E. church, corner East Wayne and Francis streets—Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; class meeting after sermon; Sunday school at 3 p. m.; Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m.; preaching at 8 p. m.; prayer meeting Thursday evening; Christmas tree and children's entertainment Saturda evening, December 23; basket social and opossum supper Xmas evening, December 25.

The annual sermon of the Order of the Eastern Star will be preached at 2 p. m. in Masonic hall on Clinton street. Rev. W. M. Simpson, pastor.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

High mass will be celebrated in all the Catholic churches in the city at 5 o'clock on Christmas morning. There will also be special musical services, and the subjects of the sermons will be appropriate to the occasion.

At St. Patrick's church a very elaborate program has been prepared for the 5 and 10:30 o'clock masses, in which the choir will be assisted by August Schmidt, basso, and A. Shulte, tenor, also accompanied by Reineke's orchestra. The program follows:

Mass, in A minor.....Wiegand
Alma Redemptoris.....Hamerel
Bass Solo—Adeste Fideles, with orchestra.....
Pastorale.....Lambillotte
With orchestra and cornet obligato.

The afternoon service at 3 o'clock is as follows:

Vespers.....Est
Magnificat.....Goeb
Alma Redemptoris.....Bass Solo
O Salutaris,—Alto Solo.....Lizzie DeWald
Tantum Ergo.....Wiegand
Laudate.....

[For other church announcements see page 11.]

HONORED THEIR SECRETARY.

As The Sentinel goes to press a most happy scene is in progress at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. rooms. As a token of their appreciation of the faithful stewardship of Secretary J. W. Burns the committeemen presented that gentleman with a magnificent chair. The recipient was taken completely by surprise, not anticipating anything of the kind so far as he was directly concerned, being engaged in fixing up a similar surprise upon someone else. Through Mr. Burns' efforts the Fort Wayne branch of the R. R. Y. M. C. A. has been advanced until it is today the most important association in the state.

CASE IS CONTINUED.

The case against Will F. Niebergall and Amos Pappert for alleged failure to comply with the revenue law, which was to have been heard by Commissioner Logan this afternoon, has been continued until next Thursday on account of the inability of the attorneys to be present. Judge Baker, of the United States court, has allowed Vesey & Heaton the sum of $200 for their services as attorneys in the matter of the J. F. Schell Loan and Investment company.

PUPILS ON A VISIT.

The pupils of the Fort Wayne School of Electricity, under the direction of Prof. Crowe and Prof. Hadley, visited the offices of the Western Union Telegraph company Friday evening. There were something over twenty-five pupils in the party, and the principles of electricity as applied to telegraphy were demonstrated to the class by C. H. Cadwallader, the chief electrician of the Western Union. The visit was of much benefit to the class.

INJURED MAN BROUGHT HERE.

Otto Bolman, employed as a conductor on the Calumet Terminal railroad at Chicago, was fearfully injured in a fall in that city yesterday. The unfortunate man dropped a distance of thirty feet, fracturing several of his ribs and otherwise injuring his side. He was brought to Fort Wayne this morning and taken to the home of his brother, F. A. Bolman, of 188 Jackson street.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

White.—Funeral services of Luther Benjamin White, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor White, will probably be held from the residence, 90 Thomas street, Monday morning.

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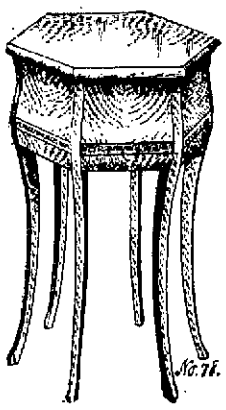
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LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. H. L. Stonecifer is quite ill.

Joe Freiberger left for Detroit today on a business trip.

Judge Frank S. Roby, of Auburn, is in the city on professional business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Evans, of Toledo, are in the city visiting friends over the holidays.

E. G. Beuret, of Ann Arbor, Mich., will be the guest of Miss Winnie Dougall for the holidays.

The DeMars family, the lyric bards of America, will give an entertainment at Grace Reformed church Tuesday evening, January, 2, 1900.

Mrs. L. G. Meyer, of North Harrison street, has gone to Indianapolis to spend the holidays with friends.

Miss Minnie B. Felts left at noon today for Benton Harbor, Mich., to visit with relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. Charles Pier and children, of Goshen, Ind., are the guests of Mrs. John Boghman, of West Fourth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Win S. Bash have arrived from New York to spend the holidays. They are guests of Mrs. Norah B. Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Heaton and daughter, Dorothy, left today for Bloomington, Ind., to spend the holidays with friends.

Miss Kirkpatrick, formerly of the Welker dry goods store, left today to make an extended visit with friends in Larwill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Courter, of Lima, are in the city to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tibbles.

Dr. J. A. McAllister, the dentist, has purchased the Boston dental parlors from Dr. J. A. Williams. Mr. McAllister will take charge January 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bastion, of Indianapolis; Mrs. A. Ellison and Miss Ellison, of Lagrange, are in the city the guests of Hon. T. E. Ellison and family.

There will be no admission charged to the Christmas entertainment at Grace Reformed church Monday evening, but a free-will offering will be taken at the door.

Frank Shaw, of this city, has returned from a five months' sojourn in Denver, whither he went in the hope that he might benefit his health. He derived no benefit from the trip.

Dr. Brayton, the well known specialist from Indianapolis, will read a paper on "Neurosis of the Skin" at the meeting of the Allen County Medical society on Tuesday evening.

Ed. Miller has returned from an extended tour of Indiana in the interests of the manufacturers of the "Yale" bicycle.

Mrs. Agnes Monning left at noon today for Cincinnati, where she will spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Groene.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Mohler will go to Huntington this evening and visit until after Christmas with Mr. Mohler's relatives.

Two vagrants and a drunken woman were the only prisoners in police court this morning. The vagrants were sent to jail and a friend of the woman paid her fine and costs of $16 and she was released.

NOTICE.

For Bids for the Hardware for the New Court House for Allen County, Indiana.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Allen will receive sealed proposals up to 2 o'clock p. m. on January 22d, 1900 (at which time all bids will be opened), for furnishing and erecting all the hardware for the new court house for Allen county, Indiana, according to the drawings and specifications therefor adopted by said board and now on file in the office of the auditor of said county.

The contract will be awarded on January 25th, 1900, at 2 o'clock p. m. All bids must be accompanied by the requisite bonds and affidavit prescribed by statute.

Bids not accompanied by samples as specified will not be considered, and bids accompanied by samples that are not in accordance with the requirements of the specifications will not be considered.

All bidders must state the name of the manufacturer of the hardware bid on.

All such bids must be on the blank forms, which will be furnished by the auditor.

The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of said board.
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The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank, of Fort Wayne, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 9th, 1900, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p.m., for the election of seven directors to serve the ensuing year.

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LOCAL NEWS.

J. S. Larwill is in Indianapolis on a busines strip.

Miss Campbell, of Chicago, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Dedez.

The engagement of Miss Rose E. Kohn and Joseph Baum is announced.

J. D. Olds is in Marion on business connected with the new electric road.

Miss Susie Geake left for Toledo today to visit friends during the holidays.

Miss Mary Randall, of Avilla, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Julia F. Randall.

Max Redelsheimer, of Detroit, will spend the holidays with Mrs. E. Rosenthal.

The Misses Lou and Josephine Strong left for Petoskey today to spend the holidays.

Attorney Frank Kleckamp will spend the holidays in Fostoria, the guest of his brother.

Miss Mary Walton has returned from Smith college to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. D. H. Swaim and daughter Helen, of Bluffton, visited with Fort Wayne friends yesterday.

Mrs. E. J. Fels, who was visiting Fort Wayne friends, has returned to her home in Hartford City.

Mrs. Per Dahl left today for Badger, Iowa, to spend the holidays with her husband, Dr. Per Dahl.

Harry Schwier has returned from Ann Arbor, where he is taking a dental course in the university.

Miss Emma Armstrong, principal of the Holton avenue school, will spend the holidays in Chicago.

Mrs. Grace E. Williams left today for Milwaukee to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. G. K. Dow.

Miss Maud Sperry and Ben Bell, students at the Chicago university, have returned home for the holidays.

W. H. Keeran has returned from a tour of the state in the interests of the American Church Furniture company.

Mr. and Mrs. Brook Sale are in the city to spend the holidays with Mrs. Sale's parents, Judge and Mrs. Lowry.

Miss Metha Baals, of 94 West Main street, will be married by Rev. Meyer at 4 p. m. on Christmas day. Only relatives present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pike, of 34 Walton avenue, have gone to Jackson, Mich., to be the guest of their daughter over the holidays.

Manager E. L. Taylor, of the Central Union Telephone company, is in Warsaw looking after the extension of some suburban lines.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Blitz and child have gone to Bluffton, to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Barcus, parents of Mrs. Blitz.

J. Baum and Charles Serlies and Miss Minnette Baum, of Chicago, will spend Christmas with Mrs. R. Baum, of No. 15 East DeWald street.

Miss Gertrude Moses has returned from Chicago, where she attended the American Conservatory of Music, to spend the holidays with her parents.

Court No. 138, I. O. O. F., did not elect officers Friday evening, owing to the absence of members. The elections will be held the last Friday in January.

Kellog Speed and Roy Vernen, students at the Chicago university, who have been visiting Guy Bell and George McDonald, returned to Chicago today.

In a letter written by Mrs. J. I. White from Lake Geneva, Wis., she states that Mr. White's mental condition has not improved. He is physically improved.

Miss Alice Connett has returned from the dental college at Indianapolis, where she is taking a course. Miss Connett was at one time in the office of Dr. Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Emerick, of Bluffton, have been visiting in the city a day or two. This afternoon they left for LaGrange to spend Christmas with friends.

James Kepner, of Bloomington, Ill., has returned to his home after a brief visit with his old friends and schoolmates. Judge Hench and sister, Mrs. Will Link, of the north side.

W. H. Bradley has taken desk room in the handsome new offices of D. C. Fisher on West Wayne street. Mr. Bradley is agent for the New York Mutual Life Insurance company.

Chapin & Denny, the patent attorneys, have been advised of the granting of a patent to Oscar Wobrock, of this city, who has invented a combination billiard and pool table that is in high favor with devotees of these games.

The girls of the B. E. S. club and a number of their young gentlemen friends tendered Ben Bell a little surprise party on Friday evening, just after his arrival from Chicago.

The Christmas cantata and entertainment given at the Baptist church on Friday evening was largely attended and was a success in every way. The cantata, which was given under the direction of Prof. Miles, was called "Santa Claus," and was written by Howard Doane. George Darker took the part of Santa Claus and John Potter was the Frost King. The soloists were Miss Lizzie Potter, Miss Grace Crawford, Miss Edith Currier, Miss Gertrude Larimere, Miss Florence Misner, Miss Emily Mick, Miss Florence Polhamus, Miss Georgie Davis, Mrs. Bert Mills.

Miss Arlina Chapin returned today from a visit in Indianapolis.

Mrs. Dr. Kring, of Findlay, Ohio, is the guest of friends in the city.

J. A. Blackburn, of Kendallville, is in the city today on a business trip.

William Branstrattor is in Cincinnati visiting friends during the holidays.

W. A. Hall and family will visit with friends in Lima, O., during the holidays.

P. Zahn, of Huntington, Ind., was in the city on Friday, transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haukins, of Perry, O., are in the city on a visit with friends.

B. M. Young, of Chicago, who has been visiting friends in the city, has returned home.

C. L. Monger, of Elkhart, who has been in the city transacting business for a few days, has returned home.

William Palmer, the manager at the Bowser works, has left for Carlisle, Penn., to spend the holidays with relatives.

Jacob Bechtold and family, of Huntington, are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Bechtold, of West Creighton avenue.

Mrs. George Jasper, wife of Captain Jasper, of No. 3 engine house, left today for Toledo to spend the holidays with friends.

Mrs. J. A. Tyler, who has been the guest of Mrs. H. G. Granger and other friends in the city, left today for her home in Cleveland.

There is a gratifying improvement in the condition of J. C. Woodworth, who has been seriously ill for some time. It is expected Mr. Woodworth will be able to sit up for a brief time tomorrow.

Mrs. Sophia Bauman was pleasantly surprised at the home of Daniel Klotz on Friday evening, in honor of her seventy-seventh birthday. The evening was most happily spent and the guests were served with light refreshments.

W. C. McConnell, of Chicago, was calling on old friends in the city yesterday. Mr. McConnell resided in the city years ago and this is his first visit in seventeen years. He is a grandson of Christian Grafmiller, who was superintendent of the street railway many years ago.

Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

Monday being Christmas, our store will be closed all day.

REUBEN S. PATTERSON.

Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

BUY TRESSELT'S

Hungarian Flour at Your Grocers. A Home Product. 7cod11t

A reception will be given to the pupils and friends of the Mulqueen Dancing Academy Monday evening, Xmas night. An Xmas tree will be an extra feature of the evening, which will have a present for each one in attendance. 21-23

All kinds of Fancy Combs and Ornaments at Miss Rodenbeck's. 22t2

Monday being Christmas, our store will be closed all day.

REUBEN S. PATTERSON.

CHRISTMAS COFFEES.

Fresh roasted and of finest quality, 10c up to 60c per pound.

ANDERSON'S,

22 t2 No. 1 Arcade.

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Ebersole pianos are unequaled in tone. We are now offering pianos at prices that will 'settle the question." Every piano and organ now in stock must be sold before January 1st, in order to make room for our 1900 selection. Second-hand uprights from $75.00 up, and new pianos at the lowest price posible to furnish a good piano.

FRANK B. LONG.

18,20,22,23 115 Calhoun St.

JUST ARRIVED.

A full line of juvenile shirts, white and colored, ages 3 to 10 years.

REUBEN S. PATTERSON.

Traveling and business men need a Blick Typewriter. Charles Freese, Agt., over Sentinel Office. 18-6t

HOLIDAY RATES.

The Wabash will make the customary rates for the holidays. Tickets on sale December 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31, 1899, and January 1st, 1900. All tickets good returning up to and including January 2nd.

R. G. THOMPSON,

'Phone No. 6. P. & T. A. 19-6t

Belott's for fine cigar cases.

JUST ARRIVED.

A full line of juvenile shirts, white and colored, ages 3 to 10 years.

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Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP

Cures Croup and Whooping-Cough. Unexcelled for Consumptives. Gives quick, sure results. Refuse substitutes. Dr. Bull's Pills cure Biliousness. Trial, 20 for 5c.

I. Van Slyke and family left for Lagrange today to visit friends during the holidays.

Regular services at First Spiritualist Society each Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. in the Elektron building, East Berry street. Take the elevator.

Belott's for French Briar pipes.

Jones' Kodak Store open every night until January 1st. Kodaks, one-third off.

1816 12 West Wayne St.

H. A. Brueggemann, piano and organ tuner, 101 Calhoun street, Fort Wayne, Ind. Post office box 95. 20t3

Over 500 styles of Oxford mufflers for you to select from at Patterson's.

Ask for Gold Seal Cigars. 19t6

Your preacher or teacher needs a Blick Typewriter for Christmas. Charles Freese, Agt., over Sentinel Office. 18-6t

Ask for UNCLE SAM Stamps.

WANTED.

WANTED—A pastry cook at once at Crescent Restaurant, 14 W. Berry street. 23-2t

WANTED—You to know that the Perfected Oxygenor King makes you master of any disease or sickness in your family. Fort Wayne Oxygenor Co., 3 and 4 Schmitz block. 23-2t

WANTED—You to understand that we cure you completely and permanently of constipation, piles or any chronic affliction; send for book. Fort Wayne Oxygenor Co., 3 and 4 Schmitz block. 23-2t

WANTED—The names of any and all individuals who are affected with any disease or chronic affliction; book of information free. Fort Wayne Oxygenor Co., 3 and 4 Schmitz block. 23-2t

WANTED—You to fully understand that no humbug patent medicine pills or tablets ever did or ever will cure disease; book of information free. Fort Wayne Oxygenor Co., 3 and 4 Schmitz block. 23-2t

WANTED—Every careful dresser in town to ask your local clothier to show you a famous guaranteed K., N. & F. Co. suit or overcoat; if he doesn't sell it, we'll tell you who does. Kuh, Nathan & Fischer Co., Makers, Chicago.

WANTED—Men to learn barber trade; 500 positions at $60 monthly waiting our graduates; new field; can earn tuition, two months complete; all information with handsome 1900 souvenir mailed free. Moler Barber College, Chicago, Ill. 23-6t

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Furnished front room. 134 West Main street. 24-1mo

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms with bath at 61 East Wayne street. 16-tf

FOR RENT—Two modern residences, one in west end and one on north side. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR RENT—8-room residence, all modern conveniences; also barn; Lake avenue. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR RENT—Building, 20x40, suitable for a blacksmith or carpenter shop, etc., at 127 Buchanan street. 12-tf

FOR RENT—Furnished front room, ground floor; heated; one square from post office. Address Box 1, Sentinel. 22-2tt

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room, with board; hot and cold bath; terms reasonable. 29 East Washington street. 2-1mo

FOR RENT—If you want money on household goods see "ad" on second page, first column. Room 3, Arcade, upstairs. 13-tf

FOR RENT—The third floor of the new building of the Allen County Loan and Savings association. Inquire at office, 32 East Berry street. 17-tf

FOR RENT—Jan. 1, 1900, storeroom, corner Berry and Harrison streets; also the upper three floors, 60x70. Inquire M. Baltes, 57 W. Berry street. 1-tf

FOR RENT—8-room dwelling and 3 acres of land; dwelling 36 Lake avenue and stable; 17 West Lewis street; 120 Home avenue; 148 West Wayne. Schrader & Wilson, first floor Court street. 29-tf.

FOR RENT—Lodge room can be had by parties desiring it on either Wednesday or Friday evening at very reasonable price; nice dancing floor in same building to rent on any Saturday afternoon or evening. Telephone 1082, new 'phone. 10-tf

WANTED.

WANTED—Good girl for general housework at 152 Washington boulevard. 2t2

WANTED—To rent, a house of 6 or 8 rooms, centrally located. Address Box 14, Sentinel. 21-tf

WANTED—Woman to pick wool; good wages. At Weil Bros., 92 East Columbia street. 23-3t

WANTED—An attendant, one who will do dormitory work and care for children, at Allen County Orphans' home. 21tf

WANTED—If you want to borrow money, see "ad" on second page, first column. Room 3, Arcade, up stairs. 13-tf

WANTED—Agents—Kitchen utensil; great seller; double your money; experience not necessary. Address Box 1, this office. 21-23

WANTED—To do your stove repairing; all work done at your house; second-hand stoves bought and sold. L. Spittler, 167 High street. Phone 1460. 23-6t

WANTED—Side line offered by high rated Corporation on uncovered ground; several earn $25 weekly cash; free outfit. Factory, P. O. 1371, New York. 23-30

WANTED—To do all kinds of stove repairing; estimates free; calls promptly answered; stoves guaranteed to bake. C. M. Maxwell, 290 Calhoun street; 'phone 427 South. 18-6t

WANTED—Partner with about $3,500 in a manufacturing plant; business established and a moneymaker; plant in operation. Address Post Office Box 738, Marion, Ind. 22-4t

WANTED—Agents, most complete line Bath Cabinets in the world; one agent sold one thousand in four months. Irwin Mfg. Co., 123 Chambers street, New York. 16-23-30

WANTED—Men to manage branch office for wholesale house; salary $100 per month and office expenses; good references and $600 cash required. Address Box 468, Peoria, Ill.

WANTED—I have a stenographer, a pastry cook, a hostler, man wishes work in livery barn; I also have good place for housework of all kinds. Mrs. E. Fitzgerald, 89 West Washington street. 29-tf

WANTED—All the people in Allen county to try our hot soda drinks. Hot Chocolate and Cream, hot Lemon and Orange, Vigoral and Clam Boullion, the great remedies for weak stomach. Post-Office Drug Store, No. 18 Harrison street, city. 5-tf

WANTED—If you want money on your household furniture, horses, carriages, pianos and other like security on easy payments, everything left in your possession, call and see us. The Reliance Loan Co., Room 6, Arcade, upstairs; open every evening. 18-1mo

WANTED—Salesmen to sell imported and domestic liquors, principally fine Kentucky whiskies and blends, case and barrel goods, to jobbers and saloon trade. Good chance to the right man; salary or commission. Address R. S. Strader & Son, 60 and 71 Water St., Lexington, Ky. 30-stf

WANTED—Agents in this locality to sell our Liquid Silver Polish; it cleans silver and all kinds of plate and glassware like magic and is free from acids; one lady made $38.45 in five days; another $70 in two weeks; write for terms. Crown Chemical Mfg. Co., 302 E. 55th St., Chicago. 19-6t

WANTED—Women to bind dress shields at home; steady work; distance no disadvantage; ask your dealer to show you Kora Shields and Kora Klasp hose supporters; Kora Sheilds snap on waist without sewing; send 10c for catalogue of work. Kora Sheild Co., 525 Broome street, New York. 31-8t

WANTED—Agents for our New Wonderlands, the most magnificent low-priced and grandly successful new book; over 300 superb illustrations; outsells everything; for extra terms, wondrously successful new sale plan and price, secret address, stating experience, if any. The Crowell & Kirkpatrick Co., Springfield, Ohio.

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WANTED—Agents — Subscription agents, greatest money maker for 1900; $5 to $15 day easily; Paris Exposition illustrated as we did the World's Fair; greatest seller of the century. Apply at once for territory and enclose 5 stamps for sample book and instructions. Mention this paper. Address Campbell's Illustrated Journal, Chicago. 16eod7t

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—A good oil route in the city. Call at room 3, Arcade, second floor. 7tf

FOR SALE—8-room modern house on south side, near reservoir, at a bargain. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—Nice 7-room residence on Creighton, near Calhoun; price, $2,500. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—A desirable 6-room residence on Cass street. W. E. Doud, over Old National bank. 7-tf

FOR SALE—A nice 7-room cottage and 70-foot lot on Broadway; very desirable. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—Good residence on Wefel street, $1,100. W. E. Doud, over Old National bank. 7-tf

FOR SALE—New 7-room house and full lot, 93 Stophlet street; price, $1,750.00. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—I am offering College Place lots on West Wayne street at regular prices. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—A nice Texas pony and harness and wagon for $20 cash at 31 West Columbia street

FOR SALE—Desirable, nearly new cottage, west end, $1,800. W. E. Doud, over Old National bank. 7-tf

FOR SALE—9-room residence and barn on Maple avenue; a desirable home at reduced price. W. E. Doud.

FOR SALE—Berry Street M. E. church property on Berry street, price on application. W. E. Doud.

FOR SALE—A farm of 87 acres, to be sold by order of the court. W. E. Doud, over Old National bank. 7-tf

FOR SALE—Good 6-room house and barn on South Harrison, near Creighton; price, $2,200. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—New 6-room house; has electric lights; on Fox, near Walnut street; price, $1,800. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—Investment in central property; rents at $500; price, $7,000; this is 6 per cent. net. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—A good 8-room residence, McClellan street; price, $2,000.00; this is a bargain. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—A good 7-room residence; full lot; in best location on West Third street; price, $2,200. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—If you want money on personal security see "ad" on second page, first column. Room 3, Arcade, upstairs. 18-tf

FOR SALE—A fine modern house; 2½ acres of garden ground; half mile from city limits; will sell at a bargain. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOR SALE—If you want to buy a house, lot or farm; if you want to borrow money or want to sell property, see Bobilya, Room 22, Bank block. 11-tf

FOR SALE—The best residence property in the city; lot 75x150 feet; frame house, 13 rooms; good cellar; 2 large cisterns; well, city water; best of reasons for selling. Call or address M. F. Schuetzer, Room 12, Pixley-Long Bldg. 23tf

FOR SALE—Cheap if taken at once, fine 6-room cottage house, with hard and soft water, natural gas and good furnace in house; one block from Lutheran church and school, short distance from Catholic church and school, only across the street from public school, and not far from Nickel Plate yards; size of lot 52x150 feet; southeast corner of Franklin avenue and Huffman street. Inquire at same. 27-tf

TO LOAN—Sums above $1,000, 5 per cent; under $1,000, a small advance; supply unlimited. W. E. Doud. 7-tf

FOUND.

FOUND—Certificate of deposit. The owner can have same by calling at the McCormick office, 26-28 West Columbia street. 12-tf

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DR. MARY A. WHERY,

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Office and residence, 26 Madison St.

Specialty:—Diseases of Women. Telephone 470. Office hours, 9 a. m. to 3:30 p. m., and 7 to 8 p. m.

W. W. Mungen,

DENTIST,

Announces the removal of his dentist parlors from No. 2 East Columbia street to his residence,

57 WEST WAYNE ST.

30-d&w-tf

CALL ON US.

Sturgis, Mich., Flour, 85c large sk.

All City Flour, 90c large sack.

Best Potatoes, 35c bushel.

Choice Rio Coffee, 10c lb.

Mixed Nuts, 12c quart.

Toy Lamps, nice for Xmas Trees and Xmas Cribs, 10c.

EAST LEWIS ST. CASH STORE,

S. GANZER, Prop.

'Phone 783.

The Evening Sentinel.

BY E. A. K. HACKETT.

SATURDAY, DEC. 23, 1899.

TONIGHT.

Volunteers of America—Religious services in armory on Calhoun street, near Montgomery.

Lodges—Mad Anthony Hive, No. 27, L. O. T. M.; Rathbone Sisters, No. 31.

Masonic Temple—Peruchi-Belding company at low prices.

To all who are its readers and to all who are not The Sentinel wishes a Merry Christmas. May each and all partake of the joyousness of the season.

Whether Aguinaldo is making his escape flying like a bird or burrowing like a mole cannot be said. It is quite evident, however, that he has ceased to rely on his accomplishments as a sprinter.

Some of the veteran regulars in the Philippines say there is a marked similarity between the native Filipino dialects and those of the American Indians. The theory that this continent was populated from Asia is not new and some of the scientists will proceed to investigate the Filipino languages.

The mass meeting Tuesday night to inaugurate the movement for a memorial to the late General Lawton should be well attended. The broadest possible popularity should be given this project. Whatever is done should be done by and in the name of all our citizens. The fame of this lamented hero is the heritage of all.

DWIGHT L. MOODY.

[Chicago Record.]

Dwight L. Moody, who died yesterday at his old home in East Northfield, Mass., was one of the remarkable men of the century. Few religious leaders exercised so deep an influence over the lives of such large numbers of their fellow beings as did this great evangelist. In his power over men Moody has been likened to the apostles who went forth to preach the gospel in the early days of Christianity. He was much like the early Christian in his simple, sincere faith, in his democratic instincts that led him to look upon all men as brothers, and in his unselfish devotion to the cause of religion.

Moody was able to convince men because of his own unflinching belief in what he had to say. He furnished a conspicuous example of the power of faith to effect results. The faith alone, however, might not have been so mightily effective but for the keen human sympathy of its possessor which enabled him to understand men and the ways of reaching them. He was no respecter of persons. His mission was to rich and poor alike. The democratic spirit of the gospels took deep hold on him, not as a mere academic conception, but as a reality, and in consequence he was enabled in turn to acquire and retain a strong hold on the people. Added to his other qualities was the gift of sound common sense, which preserved him from the errors into which men of strong religious convictions oftentimes fall. His characteristic frankness of manner and directness of statement were charming to all who came in contact with him. The pathetic and the humorous in Moody's anecdotes were so blended as to entertain and to influence the emotions of his hearers almost at the same time.

Moody was a power in two continents. Whether on the whole he had most influence in America or in Great Britain one could hardly say. Moody began his cosmopolitan career in Chicago. It was here that he discovered himself and began to find out the power that was in him. It was here that he learned how to meet men, how to deal with all sorts of people, how to get others to work, how to get people to work together. He gained a prime part of his real education in Chicago, a part of it in the army during the war of the rebellion, a part in conventions held in Illinois and in all sections of the country, and was himself in process of education to the end. An expansionist from the beginning, he went in 1873 to Great Britain, where he conducted for two years the most remarkable campaign of evangelism of the century. Eminent Scotchmen like Henry Drummond, who were in the best position to know, declare that the visit of Moody and Sankey to Scotland made "nothing less than a national epoch." It was a similar impression which this movement made in London, in Manchester and other cities of England.

Moody was in a way one of the greatest of modern discoverers. He seldom went anywhere without discovering some young man or some woman over whom he exerted a decisive personal influence at a critical moment, and indicated an open door to some peculiarly effective career. A multitude of such persons might be mentioned on both sides of the Atlantic who have since made their own mark in all the professions in almost all parts of the world. Mr. Drummond himself was one of these. It was Moody's influence over him which proved to be the making of him. If it had not been for Moody it is doubtful if Drummond would ever have been heard of. As it is, Drummond's influence has probably been on the whole quite as great on this side as on that side of the Atlantic.

After Moody was first in England he was in constant communication with many of the most influential clergymen and Christian workers and educators there. Every summer, for years, he had his own interdenominational, interstate, national and international "parliament of religion" in connection with his Northfield "conferences." At these delightful and enthusiastic educational camp meetings Moody was always the dominating personality, inspiring every one with something of his own spirit, thus multiplying his own power, in part at least, a thousand times over and in all directions.

He never made any serious mistakes. There was no flaw in his character. He commanded an absolutely universal respect. Rich and poor, high and low, learned and illiterate, cherished almost exactly the same feelings toward him. The kind of influences which he began to put forth in Chicago forty years ago went on growing and extending to the day of his death—and today, as tidings of his death are borne to every part of the English-speaking world, his influence will seem to be greater than ever. It is not an exaggeration to say that the coming century will be in certain pervasive and vital respects appreciably different from what it would have been were it not for the distinctive spiritual and moral forces which Moody imparted and put forth.

BOLD BANK BURGLARY.

Goshen, Ind., Dec. 23.—At 1:10 o'clock this morning five men entered the bank of William C. Chapin at New Paris, six miles south of Goshen, and blew open the timelock, burglar-proof safe with nitroglycerin. The outer door of the safe was blown through the ceiling and the noise aroused the citizens in the neighborhood. Some rushed out, others put their heads out of windows and were fired at by the burglars. Twelve shots were fired. One passed through a window in the house of Daniel Fisher; another was imbedded in the door. Mr. Whitehead appeared with his shotgun and the situation was becoming so warm the robbers fled. They broke open the Big Four roundhouse and took out two handcars, one of which went eastward, cracked to Syracuse, carrying three of the party, and the other carried the remaining two south to Milford Junction. Deputy Sheriff William C. Elliott started in pursuit with a posse of eight men. The timely alarm foiled the robbers. They got no money.

MERCHANTS DECLINED TO BID.

Rochester, Ind., Dec. 23.—The merchants of this county refuse to bid for furnishing supplies to the county infirmary, as called for by the commissioners, and as required under the new law, and the superintendent will purchase whatever is needed wherever he inclines.

Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

UNCLE SAM Stamps. Remember.

INDIANA'S GREAT TRUSTS

THE GAS BELT THEIR CHOSEN FIELD OF OPERATION.

Valuable Information As to the Condition of Some of the State's Leading Manufactures.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 23.—The great trusts of the country within the last few years have fastened themselves on the Indiana gas belt. The industries that had come to the gas belt were largely those that converted iron and steel into many useful products, or that burned sand and sodium into glass of many forms. The gas belt, in point of manufacturing industries, was as important as the Pittsburg district, and as the great organizations swallowed up the factories in that district, so they found it necessary to absorb the gas belt of Indiana.

A few years ago there were but two great trusts. Now there are a dozen or more, and while none of them is oppressive or calamitous, they may all reach that stage. The strawboard plants were in Anderson, Noblesville and Marion, and they averaged 150 men each. In Noblesville especially, the operation or idleness of the plant had a visible effect upon the channels of trade, and in all three of the cities the operation of a trust could be injuriously felt; for the trust was with us during '95 and '96.

There is a glass plant at Kokomo and one at Elwood. The two were taken in by the combination known as the Pittsburg Plate Glass company. They will employ on an average from two to three hundred men each. There is another plant at Alexandria, known as the American Plate Glass Works. It is an independent concern, moved to Alexandria from New Albany, but of late years there has been a price agreement between this and the Pittsburg company; so for all intents and purposes it may be classed as a trust plant.

The Strawboard and Plate Glass trusts were among the early ones, and have stood the storm until they are as permanent as the Standard Oil trust. During the last few years a series of new combinations has come in. In Anderson nearly all the big industries are either in the trusts now formed or are preparing to enter. The National Tin Plate works, employing 500 men, is in the Tin Plate trust; the Anderson and Victor glass factories, employing, respectively, 400 and 250 men, are in the Window Glass trust, lately formed and known as the American Window Glass company; the Wright Shovel works, employing 250 men, is said to be on the eve of going into a great Shovel trust; the American Wire Nail works, employing 600 men is in the Wire Nail trust, known as the American Steel and Wire company; the Anderson Flint Glass works is connected with a Flint Glass association that is hardly a trust, but closely akin to one, and the Diamond Paper company, employing 300 men, is in a price agreement with the big Paper trust.

But there are some factories in Anderson that will not likely take up with the new movement, and they are growing industries. The Arcade File works employ 450 people, where it employed but half that number two years ago. It practically controls the market on files, and needs no trust to assist it. The Buckeye Manufacturing company, employing 400 people, is another. It makes such a variety of products that joining a trust is out of the question. Then there are Elk and Erie bicycle plants that were left out of the Bicycle trust. The forging plant is not in a trust; the two foundry and machine plants and a score of smaller concerns are independent.

MAMMOTH TRUSTS.

The Republic Steel company, one of the two big steel trusts, recently formed, has thirteen plants in Indiana. One is the Union Steel plant at Alexandria that employs 600 men, another the Wetherald plant at Frankton, the Indiana Iron company, and the Muncie Iron and Steel works at Muncie, employing, respectively, 700 and 300 men, and two plants at Marion, that employ 300 men, are in the trust. The Federal Steel company does not touch the gas belt. The Window Glass trust includes nearly a score of plants in the gas belt. Among them there are two at Anderson, the DePauw plant at Alexandria, the United plant at Orestes, the Maring-Hart and the Over plants at Muncie, the Stuart-Estep and the New Estep at Marion, the two plants at Hartford City, the two at Frankton, one at Summitville, two at Pendleton, one at Elwood, and a few others in Grant and Delaware counties. Some of these plants are mammoth concerns. One at Hartford City, one at Orestes and one at Alexandria employ from five to six hundred men each. Their capacity is from forty-eight to fifty-four blower. The ordinary plant is from ten to twenty-blower capacity.

The Tin Plate trust was formed largely through the efforts of the proprietors of the Elwood plant. It is at present the largest in point of men employed in the world. Nearly 2,000 men are employed, and this means that from seven to eight thousand people are dependent upon this one plant for their livelihood. D. G. Reid, who was its president, is said to have cleared $6,000,000 out of the formation of the trust, and is now its president. M. W. Leeds, formerly of the Elwood plant, is one of the head officers of the trust. Besides the Elwood plant, there are factories at Anderson, employing 400 men, Middletown and Atlanta, employing 300 each, and Montpelier, employing about 200.

MARION NOT AFFECTED.

Marion has not been effected so much by trusts. Like Anderson, it has one glass factory that is independent. The Evans & McBeth chimney factories, employing 1,000 men and boys, are independent, as likewise are the great Wilson & McCullough bottle plants there and at Fairmount. The Indiana Pulp factory, one of the best-paying industries anywhere, is independent; also, a malleable iron works employing 150 men, a bicycle works employing 75 men, the Gray Iron works employing 50 men, the Shideler & Breed Bottle works employing 75 men, the chair works employing nearly 200 men, and two candy factories that employ 150 people. The Krein Chair works, moved to Marion two years ago, has entered into a trust.

Muncie has two iron works employing 1,000 men in the trust. Two window glass plants employing 400 men each, the Muncie Pulp plant employing 500 men, and the Consolidated Pulp plant employing 400 men, are all in trusts. She has quite a number of first-class industries that are independent. Ball Bros. came to Muncie a few years ago with a small co-operative fruit jar plant. They now employ 1,800 people, are independently rich, and refuse to join any trust. The Whitely Malleable Iron company, with 600 men, refuses to go into any trust. The same is true of the Midland Steel, the Indiana Iron and the Palmer Iron and Steel works, each employing about 300 men. The Indiana Bridge company refused to join the Bridge trust recently formed. It has 400 men. The Muncie Wheel company refused to join the trust. It has 350 men. The Anchor Silverplate company and the Ontario Silverware company, each with about 300 people, are independent, likewise the Corrugated Iron works with 150 men, and the J. Smith Bending works with 250 men. There is also a knitting works at Muncie employing 200 people that refuses to join any trust.

SUCCESSFUL TURKEY SUPPER.

The turkey supper given at the Plymouth Congregational church on Friday evening was attended by about two hundred persons, and the sum of $50 was realized. The supper was served by the men of the church. After the supper a literary and musical program was rendered, which was thoroughly enjoyed. Rev. J. S. Ainslie gave a short address on "Early New England Ministers," Paul Mossman gave a reading, Prof. Thompson rendered several selections on the violin and Frank Stouder gave several solos, accompanied by Mrs. Stouder. The entertainment was partly in celebration of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers at Plymouth Rock, which is generally celebrated on the 31st.

Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 18th, 1899.

United States of America, District of Indiana.

In the United States Circuit Court.

In the matter of Rudolph Steger, Bankrupt.

The creditors of the above entitled bankrupt are hereby notified that I will, on December 30th, 1899, at 10 a. m., at the place of business of said bankrupt, No. 126 Calhoun street, Fort Wayne, Ind., offer for sale in bulk at public auction to the highest bidder the entire stock of hardware, nails, glass, stoves, tools, cutlery, paints, oils, horse, harness, wagon and all other personal property belonging to said bankrupt estate.

Terms of sale will be cash.

LEE J. NINDE,
Trustee in Bankruptcy for Rudolph Steger. 21-23

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Paymaster Collier says: "I Have Taken Pe-ru-na It Will Do All That is Claimed For It."

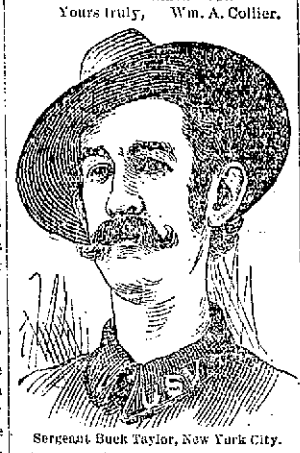
WM. A. COLLIER, PAYMASTER OF THE U. S. NAVY.

One of the most responsible positions in the practical management of the United States Navy is the Paymaster's Office. Only men of great executive and clerical ability can fill such a position. Such a man is the Hon. William A. Collier, Assistant Paymaster of the United States Navy. In a recent letter of his to Dr. Hartman he says:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 25, 1899.

I have taken Pe-ru-na and take pleasure in recommending it to those needing a first-class tonic, feeling assured that it will do all that is claimed for it.

Yours truly, Wm. A. Collier.



Sergeant Buck Taylor, New York City.

Sergeant Buck Taylor, one of the famous Rough Riders, is a personal friend of Governor Roosevelt, of New York. He accompanied Governor Roosevelt on his great stamping tour through upper New York state. He was promoted through gallantry in the field during the late war.

The Sergeant has the following to say of Pe-ru-na: "I think there is no better medicine on earth than Pe-ru-na, for catarrh. It has cured me. I would take a volume to tell you all the good it has done me. Pe-ru-na is the best catarrh cure on earth, and I know, for I have tried nearly all of them. Respectfully, Buck F. Taylor."

Major Algernon A. Mabson, of the Tenth Volunteer regiment, stationed at Macon, Ga., in a recent letter to Dr. Hartman from Washington, D. C., says: "I think there is no better medicine on earth than your Pe-ru-na for catarrh. It has surely cured me. It would take a volume to tell you all the good it has done me. Pe-ru-na is the greatest remedy ever prepared, and I think I have tried them all."

Major Mabson.

A. A. Mabson.

Pe-ru-na attained great popularity among the officers of the army as well as the navy during the late war with Spain. A great many letters were received from field and hospital corps, indicating that this popular climatic remedy has become well nigh indispensable to them. Pe-ru-na is not only a National remedy but has proven itself a National blessing. Letters from every quarter are received daily testifying to the virtues of Pe-ru-na in cases of catarrh that had long since given up all hope of cure. Coughs, colds, influenza, la grippe and acute catarrh yield at once to the action of Pe-ru-na. No case of catarrh can entirely resist the curative virtues of Pe-ru-na, as every case is either cured or permanently benefited. A lecture on catarrh and its cure by Dr. Hartman sent free by The Pe-ru-na Drug M'f'g Company, of Columbus, O.

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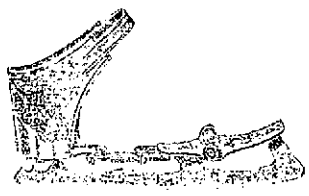

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Displays of new Holiday Ties ever displayed in this state is now in view at our store. Besides Ties we show a well selected line of Umbrellas, Traveling Bags, Collar and Cuff Portfolios, Suspenders, Shirts, Collars and Cuffs, Handkerchiefs and many other useful articles that are sure to please your best man. Give us an inspection.

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The Hamilton National Bank will pay interest at the rate of two (2) per cent. per annum on certificates of deposit if left four months.
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OFFICIALS IN CONFERENCE

MAYOR AND APPOINTEES TALK OF THE SEWERS.

The Board of Works is in a Quandary and Anticipates Trouble—No Action Taken.

In the office of Mayor Scherer Saturday afternoon there was a conference between the board of health, board of works, the comptroller and city attorney, Mayor Scherer, City Engineer Randall and Assistant Engineer Goss. The conference was held to discuss the proposed new sewers. There is a decided necessity that South Wayne have a sewer as soon as possible, but the board of works has found only one way to get an outlet for it and that is by the construction of an intercepting sewer through the down town district. Two or three times outlets have been selected in the western part of the city, but each time the property owners near by entered objections and the several boards of health have determined that they will not allow the sewerage to be carried past the city in the St. Mary's river. The wells at the Ross street sewer would be contaminated should the South Wayne sewer empty into the St. Mary's south and west of these wells, and it is on this account more than any other that the health authorities offer objections to the outlet. If an outlet was chosen as far east as Griffith street the numerous residents near by would have ample cause for objection. The only certain way to dispose of the sewage without injuring the health of the community is through the interceptor, but here another difficulty arises. Several large property owners and some of those people who have within the last few years paid assessments for the big Tenth ward sewer offer objection and the board of works has been threatened with injunction proceedings, which will cause much delay. The plans are completed for the big sewer and Engineer Goss is at work on those for the South Wayne sewer, but it will be impossible for the board to build either unless there is a fight in the courts. The matter of raising the money to pay for the big sewer is another question which the board must solve, although this is undoubtedly the easiest question of all. There are 13,000 lots in the city outside of Lakeside and Bloomingdale and should the big sewer cost $130,000, which it will not, the cost to each lot would be only $10, and the property owner could take ten years to pay even this small sum. It would cost considerable money, however, for some of the wealthy gentlemen who own scores of lots which have recently been taken into the city. Attorneys generally admit that it would not be legal to make a general levy for the purpose of paying for the big sewer. Should the boards of health carry their objections to the limit, and the laws back them in their determination, they could insist that the sewage from Lakeside and Bloomingdale be not dumped into the river. If this sewage should be carried through the interceptor the cost per lot throughout the city would not be much above $6. All these points were discussed by the city officials and Comptroller Berghoff went further and suggested that the surface wells at the Ross street station might not be used, but water could be pumped from only the rock wells. This would avoid the danger to health which would certainly arise if the sewage was allowed to carry down the river and percolate into the surface wells. If the water from the wells was not used, of course there would not be danger from that source. The objection to this was that in the summer there is oftentimes a scarcity of water when it is necessary to use every well. If the water remained stagnant until this necessity arose, then the danger to health when used would be even greater than if it was in use all the time. The board of health offered every reason why the river should not be used as a deposit west and south of the city and while the conference resulted in a general understanding it did not solve the problem as to how the sewage from South Wayne was to be disposed of.

At the city hall this morning the unanimous opinion of the officials was that there will be an intercepting sewer constructed or South Wayne will have no sewer. There must be an outlet for the sewage and if the health officers are persistent in their objections to allowing the river to be polluted so the water will pass through the city, the sewage question cannot be solved except by the construction of the interceptor. The objection to assessment will probably be overcome by dividing the city into districts and making the assessments according to benefits accruing to each property owner. City Attorney Shambaugh is investigating the law and after consultation will make a report to the board of works.

NOTES.

The committee on rules, regulations and ordinances met again last evening and discussed the Hosey gas ordinance. Messrs. Buhr and Clark were again absent, but Councilman Hosey and City Attorney Shambaugh were present to explain the intent and the phraseology of the ordinance. The committee discussed the advisability of making certain amendments and finally decided to delay a report until the first meeting in January.

The O'Ryan speed ordinance was also discussed by the committee. Hon. James M. Barrett, attorney for the street railway, was present and objected to the ordinance on the grounds that it would interfere with the schedules adopted by the street railway and affect the system of transfers, as at times it would be impossible to make connections between the cars on different lines. The committee decided, however, to recommend the passage of the ordinance, which applies only to Calhoun street.

The committee on claims considered several matters, but acted only on that of Rodney Fleming, who wanted damages for tearing his pantaloons in a fall from his bicycle. He claimed that the wet street caused the fall. The committee decided to disallow the claim and laid other claims aside until some future meeting.

The two revised ordinances to be presented at the next council meeting are one "regulating the use of streets" and another "regulating the construction and uses of sidewalks."

C. G. H. Goss, assistant engineer, left this morning for Martinsville, Ind., where he will spend Christmas with his family. He will return next Wednesday, via Indianapolis, and will be met in the capital city by City Attorney Shambaugh. Together they will make a thorough investigation of Indianapolis's system of sewerage.

Capt. J. H. Rohan's bond as city treasurer has been approved by City Attorney Shambaugh and is now on file with City Clerk Monning, who will present it to the council for approval next Tuesday evening.

WHY NOT
Try a dose of
MINTONE?
It cures headache INSTANTLY. At PELLENS & POLSTER'S Soda Fountain. Agents this city. 25c a bottle.

ARE IN THE TOILS.

The police of Indianapolis have arrested Mrs. Genevieve Sanford and Miss Grace Hooker on a charge of securing money under false pretenses. The women pretended to be raising subscriptions for the Indianapolis kindergarten, but it soon developed that they were frauds and the arrests followed. It developed later that they were working for a man named Lewis R. Adams and the police commenced a hunt for him, but have failed to arrest the man. Adams and the two women are supposed to be the same parties who were here and raised money for the Relief union, giving an entertainment at the Masonic Temple, which was a frost. There was no accounting of funds and the man and women have not been seen since the day after the entertainment. A. H. Bittinger, attorney for the Relief union, went to Indianapolis today and will try to get a settlement with the trio. While here Adams and the ladies stopped at the Hamilton house. They pretended at first not to be acquainted and were introduced by some person at the boarding house. While Adams prepared for the entertainment, the ladies solicited money from business men and they kept it, the Relief union realizing not a dollar.

POSTOFFICE HOURS.

Monday, December 25th, 1899—Christmas Day.

The money order, registry, stamp and general delivery departments will be open till 10:00 a. m.

The regular morning delivery and collection will be made by carriers.

Collections will be made at 6:00 and 10:00 p. m. from the hotels and Calhoun street boxes between the depots.

The outgoing mail service will be as usual.

W. D. Page Postmaster.

PITTSBURG LOSES SUIT.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 23.—The decision in the case of the city of Pittsburg against State Senator William Flinn and others for $200,000 damages, was handed down at the opening of court today by Judge White. The defendants were acquitted. The suit was in trespass and was based on the allegation that ex-Assistant City Attorney W. H. Hoise had loaned city money to Senator Flinn.

Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

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A full line of juvenile shirts, white and colored, ages 3 to 10 years.
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Belott's for fine tobacco jars.

A WATCH FOR THE MAYOR

THE CITY OFFICIALS MAKE HIS HONOR A PRESENT.

His Timepiece Was Stolen Months Ago and "His Loss is Now His Gain."

Several months ago a sneak thief entered Mayor Scherer's home and stole a quantity of jewelry. One of the valuables taken was a gold watch which the mayor prized highly and the police made every possible effort to recover the timepiece and were unsuccessful. But now his honor is to be recompensed. The city officials raised a sum of money and purchased a handsome gold-case watch, of fine movement, and at 3:30 this afternoon the mayor was called into a room where the city officials were congregated and John Tremmel, who had raised the money with which to buy the watch, made a presentation speech and handed the handsome new timepiece to the mayor. Along with it was a pretty gold chain which had been purchased with money subscribed by the police officers. Mayor Scherer was completely surprised and didn't find words in which to return thanks for the elegant present, but his bashful actions indicated well enough how much he appreciated the gift.

FORT WAYNE ENCAMPMENT.

The patriarchs of Fort Wayne encampment No. 152, I. O. O. F., on Friday evening, elected officers as follows: W. S. Cutshall, chief patriarch; F. W. Vordermark, high priest; W. B. Link, senior warden; Frank Beney, junior warden; Fred Thiebolt, recording scribe; D. L. Harding, financial scribe; T. J. Rodabaugh, treasurer; Duncan McLeish, trustee for three years.

CARNEGIE ADVANCES WAGES.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 23.—Over 11,000 employes of the Carnegie Steel company received a Christmas gift today in the shape of an advance in wages. At the Duquesne steel works and blast furnaces, the Edgar Thompson steel works, furnaces and foundry, the Carrie furnaces, the Homestead steel works, the Lucy furnaces, the Keystone bridge works, the Upper Union mills and the Lower Union mills, notices were posted as follows: "Taking effect on January 1, 1900, common labor at these works will be increased to $1.50 a day, and all other day, turn and tonnage labor (with certain exceptions) will be increased in proportion." The exceptions are the tonnage men working under sliding scales, where the rates of wages increase and decrease in proportion to the proceeds of the products, and also the men employed in several new sub-departments which have been put in operation within the last two months, and for which new scales were made at the time in keeping with the present improved condition of business. The new scale gives the men an advance of 7.14 per cent. on the wages now paid. This makes a total of 25 per cent. increase which has been voluntarily made by the company since the adoption of the last general scale.

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In Vienna organ grinders are allowed to play only between midday and sunset.

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Bicycles stored, insured against loss by fire; wheel and bearings thoroughly cleaned; chain soaked in gasoline and afterwards boiled in tallow. Special winter prices $1.00. You need not pay for it until you call for wheel. All work done by experienced mechanics. Leave word and we will call for wheel.

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UNTIL ENTIRE STOCK IS SOLD.

The stock consists of Diamonds, Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Sterling Silves, Bric-a-Brac, Cut Glass, Fine China, Opera Glasses and Silver Novelties.
The invariably HIGH QUALITY OF ALL ARTICLES HANDLED by this firm is too well known to need comment. This will be an excellent opportunity to buy your Christmas Presents

A. F. Glutting, Trustee.

We have secured the services of the celebrated Objects D' Art auctioneer, Col. J. F. Turner, of Chicago, who will personally conduct the sale.

Not Immortal

The Packard Pianos and Organs will not last forever, but they will last long enough.

The Packard Pianos and Organs are so well made that they will last any ordinary life time and stand all kinds of uses and exposures.

They will keep their sweet tone throughout that time.

Every one we sell is warranted by us for five years.

They are thoroughly good instruments for those who want a fine organ and musical instrument.

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Set of Teeth	$5.00
Gold Crowns	5.00
Porcelain Crowns	5.00
Bridge Work	5.00
Gold Fillings	$1.00 up
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THE MARKETS.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—In the grain and provisions market today there was barely enough business to warrant the posting of an occasional quotation. There were no cables and statistics, owing to the closing of other markets, were incomplete. Wheat opened around put figure, May ⅛c under yesterday at 69½@69⅜c and eased off to 69⅜@69½c, steadying on buying against puts. Receipts here were 100 cars, 56 of contract grade.

May wheat closed steady, ⅛c under yesterday at 69½@69⅜c.

Corn was easier with wheat, but steady at the decline. Trade was small. Receipts here were 271 cars. May opened a shade down at 32⅞@33c. Local longs sold some oats. Receipts were 214 cars here. May opened a shade under yesterday at 23⅞@24c.

Provisions opened practically unchanged from yesterday and for some time sold unchanged from initial figures. May pork opened at $10.40. May lard at $5.72½@5.75 and May ribs at $5.52½.

THE CLOSE.

Prices at the close were as follows:

Wheat—Dec., 65½c; May, 69½@69⅜c; July, 69⅞c.

Corn—Dec., 30⅜c; Jan., 30⅜@30¾c; May, 32⅞c.

Oats—Dec., 22; May, 23⅞c.

Pork—Dec., $8.85; Jan., $10.00; May, $10.32½.

Lard—Dec., $5.25; Jan., $5.45; May, $5.67½@5.70.

Ribs—Dec., $5.20; Jan., $5.25; May, $5.42½@5.45.

Flax—Cash N. W., $1.49½; Cash S. W., $1.49½; Dec., $1.48½; May, $1.44.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 300; market generally steady. Beeves, $4.35@6.75; cows, $3.00@4.50; heifers, $3.20@5.00; canners, $2.25@3.05; stockers and feeders, $3.10@4.00; Texas fed beeves, $4.40@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts today, 20,000; Tuesday, 33,000; left over, 4,031. Market strong, active. Mixed and butchers, $3.95@4.20; good to choice heavy, $4.05@4.20; rough heavy, $3.90@4.00; light, $3.35@4.10; bulk of sales, $4.05@4.15.

There will be no market Monday.

THE DAY ON WALL STREET.

New York, Dec. 23.—Great relief was manifested in the opening transactions over the unexpectedly favorable showing made on the London stock exchange. The periodical settlement in mining stocks from which grave trouble was apprehended was proceeding satisfactorily there, and American securities rebounded in sympathy with other stocks. As a consequence International securities at the opening here showed advances ranging from 1 to over 2 points. The bears, who had sold confidently yesterday on the prospects of trouble in London today, rushed frantically to cover and caused violent advances in those stocks which they had attacked most vigorously yesterday. Sugar jumped 5 points, Metropolitan 4⅝, American Tobacco nearly 4 points and People's Gas and Brooklyn Transit over 3½. A number of other specialties rose between 1 and 2 points and fractional gains were shown throughout the list. The market was very animated in connection with the buoyancy.

Traders realized freely on the rise and their offerings had quite an effect on the specialties. Sugar fell 3, Metropolitan Street Railway 2½, People's Gas and others 1@1½.

Among the railways losses were not beyond sharp fractions. Buying orders were met at the lower level and prices of the Grangers rebounded to the best. Improvements in the specialties were considerable, but they did not reach the top figures at the start.

Large buying carried prices back to the opening high level. Great Northern preferred rose 8. The appearance of the bank statement caused some confusion in sentiment, the increase in cash and surplus being regarded as favorable, but the small loan contraction reflected, causing some doubts as to the accuracy of the return as a reflection of the week's net results. Realizing carried down Sugar 2½, some of the active specialties a point or over and the railroads a fraction. On a rally the market closed quiet and strong except in one or two individuals. The net gains in the principal active stocks ranged from 1 to 4.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Dec. 23.—Butter—Receipts, 2,741 pkgs; market strong; western creamery, 23@27c; June creamery, 22@25½c; factory, 15½@20c.

Cheese—Receipts, 2,842 pkgs; market firm; fall made fancy small, 12¾@13c; fall made large fancy, 12¾@13c; late made small, 12¼c; late made large, 11¾@12c.

Eggs—Receipts, 5,541 pkgs; market weak; western ungraded at mark, 16@21½c; western, 21@24c, loss off.

Sugar—Market unchanged.

Coffee—Market weak.

THE MONEY MARKET.

New York, Dec. 23.—Money on call steady at 4 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent; sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87¼ for demand and at $4.83⅝@4.81 for 60 days; posted rates, $4.81½@4.82 and $4.88½; commercial bills, $4.80@4.80¼; silver certificates, 58½@59½c; bar silver, 58½c; Mexican dollars, 47¼c.

THE BOND MARKET.

New York, Dec. 23.—State bonds inactive, railroad bonds strong, government bonds strong:

U. S. 2s registered 102½
U. S. 3s registered 110½
U. S. 3s coupon 110½
U. S. 4s registered (new) 134¼
U. S. 4s coupon (new) 134½
U. S. 4s registered (old) 114½
U. S. 4s coupon (old) 115½
U. S. 5s registered 113¼
U. S. 5s coupon 113½

NOTES OF THE DAY.

It has been estimated that steamers are 20 per cent. safer than sailing vessels.

The income from the Monte Carlo gaming tables for the past year reached over $60,000,000.

Denver Relatives' union held a "Manila Evening." Curios from the Philippines were exhibited.

A planter in St. Thomas parish, near Charleston, S. C., has achieved a very notable success in silk culture, his annual income from this source amounting to from $6,000 to $8,000.

The turkey was first discovered in America and brought to England in the early part of the sixteenth century. Since then it has been acclimated in nearly all parts of the world.

Algeria, since the year 1862, has increased its railway system by no less than 1,981 miles. New lines are under construction. Works on the Great Sahara line have also been started.

The authorities in Algeria gave $40,000 toward fighting the grasshoppers. In one section 3,200 camels were employed to carry the material for burning over the places where eggs had been deposited.

The tomato is now definitely assigned a place as a tonic among foods. A noted physician has made extensive experiments with the juice as a medicine, and says as a health preservative is is unequaled.

It is computed that the death rate of the world is 67 and the birth rate 70 a minute, and this seemingly light percentage of gain is sufficient to give a net increase in population each year of 1,200,000 souls.

A city meeting in Burlington, Vt., recently, although held in the forenoon, was attended by 1,000 citizens. It adjourned in three and a half minutes, after having voted to abolish the city liquor agency.

From one end of Japan to the other a child is treated as a sacred thing, be it one's own or a stranger's. Each one carries its name and address on a ticket around its neck; but should it indeed stray away from home food and shelter and kindness would meet it everywhere.

The butchers of Berlin have a curious way of informing their customers of the days on which fresh sausages are made, by placing a chair, covered with a large, clean apron, at the side of the shop door.

The potato crop of the country this year is one of the largest ever raised. The yield is estimated at 242,000,000 bushels, or about 40,000,000 bushels larger than in 1898, and 68,000,000 bushels larger than in 1897. The yield per acre this year is about eighty-one bushels.

Dr. Joseph Parker, of the City Temple, London, said the other day that if every curate were a saint, if every dean were beyond reproach, and if archbishops were in point of excellence almost archangels, he should still be a strong Protestant evangelical dissenter.

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TO CONFER ON UNION DEPOT

NICKEL PLATE WILL SEND A REPRESENTATIVE.

President Canniff and the Lake Erie and Western Acknowledge Fort Wayne Petition.

The petitions of the Fort Wayne Commercial club asking the several railroads for better depot facilities in Fort Wayne have been forwarded to the railroads, and Secretary Monning is receiving acknowledgements of the documents.

President Canniff, of the Nickel Plate, advises Mr. Monning that Mr. Gorham, of that company, will be glad to attend the proposed meeting of the committee on railroads and confer upon the matter at such time as may be mutually convenient for each of the parties interested. The Lake Erie and Western secretary at New York announces that the petition will be laid before the board of directors in due time.

The Commercial club has interested itself in quite a number of matters pertaining to improvements for the city, but Secretary Monning says none have been more favorably received than the proposition to secure the erection of a convenient hall and exposition building. Mr. Monning has interviewed a large number of citizens on the project and he finds nothing but encouragement.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Henry C. Werling and Anna Hockemeyer.

THE DEATHS.

KAYLOR.

Esther Kaylor, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kaylor, died Friday afternoon from pneumonia at the family residence, corner of Rudisill and Webster streets, at the age of three years and ten months.

Funeral services will be held from the residence Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Miller, of Grace Lutheran church.

A SLIGHT BLAZE.

Shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon fire was discovered in the handsome home of Horace Mariotte, corner of Washington and Griffith streets. The fire started in a waste-box in the cellar and damaged the wainscoating and floor of the first story to the extent of about $5. The department was summoned to extinguish the flames.

PRESENTS FOR EMPLOYES.

H. P. Hurlburd, local agent for the National Express company, today received instructions from General Manager Hunt, of New York, to pay to each employe who had been exclusively employed in the express $5 extra as a Christmas present. The order is a general one and thousands of National Express company employes who are paid less than $1,000 a year will be made happy with an extra $5.

THE LAWTON MEETING.

The program for the Lawton memorial mass meeting at Masonic Temple on Tuesday evening is not yet completed, but among the speakers will be Col. R. S. Robertson, Col. D. M. Foster, Hon. R. C. Bell, Gen. H. C. Zollinger, Alexander Johnson, Judge R. S. Taylor, Judge L. M. Winde, and Rev. J. R. Quinlan, of Huntington. F. E. Stouder will have charge of the music and the program will be a fine one. The Sons of Veterans will act as ushers at the meeting.

THE LAWTON FUND.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Lawton home fund is coming along with most gratifying rapidity. The indications are now such as to encourage the committee which has undertaken to collect the fund. If the contributions continue at the present rate they will be able to carry out the idea of making the fund a Christmas present to Lawton's family. The total reported this morning was $7,449.55.

ALSO A CHURCH DIGNITARY.

It is but little known that in addition to being "defender of the faith," by virtue of her position as sovereign, Queen Victoria is also the oldest dignitary of the church by virtue of her position of prebendary of St. David's Cathedral, Llandaff.—Indianapolis Press.

The chief rabbi of London has ordered special prayers in all the synagogues of that city in behalf of the British troops.

Molasses for cavalry horses will in future be one of the items of expense for the maintenance of the army in the Philippines.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Dooley, of Chicago, are in the city visiting relatives.

Miss Jean McLachlan, of Chicago, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wilson and son, Trafford, will visit friends at Wabash.

William Hammond and family will spend Sunday and Christmas with friends in Bluffton.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Baum and daughter Harriett, of Indianapolis, will be the guests of Joseph Baum for the holidays.

SOLD BRAMES PROPERTY.

Sheriff Melching sold at sheriff's sale today the property of Louis Brames, including the store room at No. 49 East Main street and the house and storehouse on East Jefferson street. Jacob Kuebeler & Co., of Cleveland, bid $8,500 and assumed a $5,000 mortgage and the property was sold to them.

GOMEZ WILL AID WOOD.

Havana, Dec. 23.—General Maximo Gomez has assured General Wood that he will co-operate with him in obtaining a stable administration and in preparing Cuba for independence.

TRANSMITTING WAR NEWS.

The news from South Africa starts at Cape Town, is sent to Delagoa Bay, thence to Mozambique, to Zanzibar, to Aden. There it is repeated to Suez, a distance of over 1,400 miles. From Suez it is repeated 143 miles to Alexandria, where it is repeated again, this time under the Mediterranean, 925 miles, to Malta. From Malta it goes to Gibraltar, and thence to Lisbon, the great cable center, 383 miles. At this point it plunges under the Atlantic 890 miles to Penzance, and so on to London, and the rest of the world.—Indianapolis News.

GROWING RAILROAD TIES.

A tie growing experiment is reported to be under consideration by the Big Four, between Brightwood and Ingalls, in Indiana, on land owned by the road. It is estimated that catalpa trees, imported from Kansas, planted now, will attain a heighth of sixty feet and a diameter of twenty inches in about sixteen years.—Philadelphia Record.

Another heir to a throne is on the point of matrimony—the crown prince of Japan. It is not yet decided whether he will make a European tour before his wedding or get married at once, but, at all events, a fine new palace is being built in readiness for the prince's new household. This palace is quite an innovation for Japan, because it will be built of iron instead of being lightly constructed like like the ordinary Japanese dwelling, for fear of earthquakes. However, the crown prince's palace is to be specially planned to resist the shocks which so constantly visit the land of the chrysanthemum.

The great difficulty in getting changes made in a theater is the fear of the owner that the alteration may affect the acoustic properties unfavorably.

Wild boars still abound in some parts of Morocco, one hunting party having lately killed over 100 in one week near Casablanca. They are hunted on horseback with lances, an exciting and dangerous sport.

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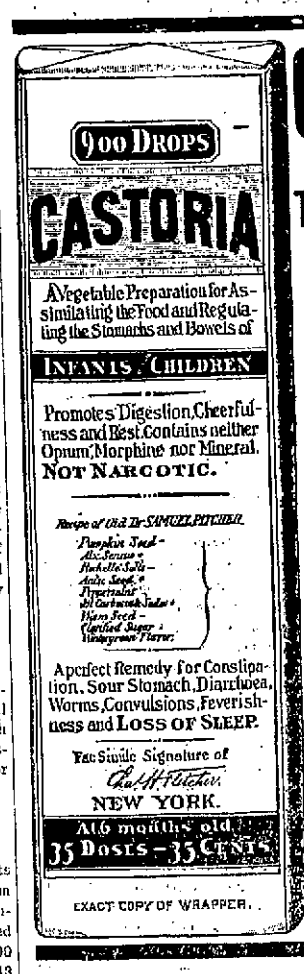

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Owing to a mistake made at the bureau, George Kennan, who was booked to appear at the Lecture Course of the Woman's Club League on January 5th, will be unable to fill that date. The time of his lecture will be duly announced later.

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HOLIDAY TRAVEL IS HEAVY

TICKET AGENTS NEVER SAW BETTER BUSINESS.

Half a hundred former Fort Wayne citizens came in on Nickel Plate train No. 2 this afternoon and are now circulating among their friends. They are employes of the Siemens-Halske Electric company, of Chicago, and come here to spend Christmas with relatives and friends. It was the original plan to charter a train and come down in great style, accompanied by a band, but owing to the inability of some members of the "colony" to come at this time, the special-train part of the program was abandoned. The Sentinel published the list of former Fort Wayne men who are now employed by Siemens-Halske and who were expected to come here today. About half of them came. The majority of the visitors will return to Chicago Monday night, but a few will remain here until after New Year's.

BIG PASSENGER TRAFFIC.

All local passenger agents agree that the present holiday business beats all previous records in that line, both in the number of sales and in the average mileage purchased by the travelers. Every train entering this city and all outgoing trains were loaded to their full seating capacity and some of them, notably the Wabash and the Grand Rapids, were crowded so that many had to stand up. This heavy business indicates general prosperity, such as this section has not enjoyed for several years.

SHIPPING AN ENGINE.

The Bass works is preparing to ship a 32x54 Corliss engine to the Pittsburg Steel Hoop company, Pittsburg. This is the third engine built for the hoop company at the Bass works within the past four or five months and an order may be placed for another.

REMEMBERED THE JANITOR.

Bernard Spiegel will have a fat turkey, with all the paraphernalia and appurtenances, for Christmas dinner. Mr. Spiegel is janitor at Master Mechanic G. S. McKee's office, at the Wabash shops, and the provisions for the Christmas feast, even to a liberal supply of fine cigars for the after dinner smoke, were presented to him by Mr. McKee and the office force. This little incident illustrates the appreciation and esteem entertained for Mr. Spiegel, who is always faithful and prompt in performing the duties of his office.

GREAT FREIGHT MOVEMENT.

Yesterday was the banner day of the season up to date in the movement of freight on the Nickel Plate road. Between the hours of 6 a. m. and 4 p. m. there were sixteen freight trains out of this city on that line, and nearly as great a number during the remaining hours of the twenty-four. A good feature of the business is the large per centage of loaded cars, very few empties moving in either direction. Mr. Bowden, the yardmaster, who assumed charge a few months ago, said that the business yesterday morning was the heaviest done on that line since he came here. No lay offs except for needed rest and sickness are allowed enginemen and trainmen and every locomotive that can pull a train is contsnntly on the move.

SLIGHT WRECK AT HOBART.

The wreck crew was summoned to Hobart last night to put back upon the rails four cars of a Pennsylvania local freight, which were pushed off at an open switch on the siding. The main tracks were not blocked and the only damage was in the delay to the local freight.

NEW COMBINATION CAR.

A magnificent combination car, mail and baggage, arrived from the Columbus car works this morning and will be placed into service in trains 37 and 38, on the Pittsburg road, in a few days. This car is sixty feet long, has six wheel trucks and the latest design of draft rigging. Two-thirds of its interior is devoted to baggage space and the other third to mail purposes, being equipped with every convenience for that service. There are separate cars in trains 37 and 38 for baggage and mail, but when the new car is placed in service it will reduce the train to three cars and at the same time make it just as efficient as the four car train.

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

Capt. H. Stoll is having his rooms at the Pittsburg depot frescoed and repainted.

W. H. Young and W. A. Sprott, well known freight men, were in the city last night.

John Zimmermann, a carver at the organ works, has gone to Auburn to spend Christmas.

All of the Pennsylvania passenger trains were either run in two sections or were double headers today.

Nickel Plate Fireman Ashline returned to his work yesterday. He had been ill at his home in Chicago.

Frank Peters, a machinist at the Bass works, has gone to Bucyrus, Ohio, to spend Xmas with friends.

Master Mechanic J. J. Muir, of the Bass works, has returned from a trip east, made in the interest of the company.

Louis Freyer, of the electric works, left last night for Sioux City, Iowa, to do some repair work in a lighting plant.

Machinist George Scheid, who had an eye injured at the Pittsburg shops a few days ago, will not lose the optic as was feared at first.

Pittsburg Engineers Robert Lyons, M. O'Brien and Thomas Telley are taking a brief rest for the purpose of preparing for Christmas.

Pittsburg Machinist Charles McElfatrick is laid up with a sprained back and is not likely to be able to resume work for several days.

F. X. Miller, John Fraine and E. B. Moore, of the Pittsburg shops, are off duty, the two former on account of sickness. Mr. Moore's wife is sick.

A. Schultz, a boilermaker, who left here two years ago to take a position in a shop in Philadelphia, is here to spend the holidays with his mother, brothers and sisters.

Notices to the effect that the railway shops in the city would be closed as far as possible Monday were posted on the various bulletin boards this morning.

George K. Barber, of the Pittsburg shops, was the fortunate holder of the ticket which makes him the possessor of the horse formerly owned by Fred Mennewisch.

Ed. White, George White, Charles Yokey, H. Walsh and G. C. Soest, of the Pittsburg shops, are taking a Christmas lay off, which they will spend with friends out of the city.

A. LaMar and F. Edwards, who have been superintending the construction of new freight cars for the Pennsylvania at the Detroit car shops, are expected home this evening to spend the holidays.

John C. Manary, of the Pittsburg shops, left this morning for Kalkaska, Mich., to join his wife, who went up there several days ago. Mr. Manary has a farm near that city, upon which his son resides.

Machinist Julius Koch, of the Pittsburg shops, and his family will go to Lima this evening to attend the funeral of Mrs. Koch's sister, who died there last night. The lady's name was Mrs. Emma Sites.

Fred Sawyer, late Pennsylvania agent at this point, will go to Indianapolis next Tuesday to assume charge of the Pennsylvania freight office in that city, one of the best positions of its kind in the state.

Blacksmith J. D. Reinmyer, of the Pittsburg shops, and his wife and children will be the guests of his married daughter, Mrs. J. W. Hoskins, in Chicago, over Christmas. They will go to that city tonight.

George F. Conrad, who has been lying ill with typhoid fever at the home of his mother, 65 East Wayne street, is convalescing and will soon be able to resume his duties on the road. He is a Pittsburg fireman.

The Wabash company gives notice that it will honor all annual, time and coupon book passes, which are supposed to have expired December 31, up to and including January 20. This is a courtesy that the holders of such favors will appreciate.

Among the absentees in the Nickel Plate train service who are off duty on account of sickness or for needed rest are Engineers D. McFee, Ed Wolf and Frank Sleeper and Firemen Fox, Maloney, Baldwin, Carr, Longsworth, Lawson and H. S. Smith.

Fireman E. A. McCarthy, of the Nickel Plate, is taking a vacation to attend to some "private business," which the round house attaches say savors of matrimony. The fortunate lady, it is said, is a resident of some Ohio town on the line of the road.

Dr. A. J. Kesler is treating Henry J. Daseler for a lame leg, the result of poison. The condition of the patient is such that he is not likely to be able to work for a few weeks. Mr. Daseler is a boilermaker and one of the best known of Lake Erie and Western shopmen.

The Electric school last night paid a visit to the Western Union telegraph offices and to the central station of the Home Telephone company, where they were shown every courtesy and given an opportunity to learn that which could not be gleaned elsewhere.

Fireman Balazes, whose former home was Cleveland, has returned to his duties on the Nickel Plate road, after a visit with relatives in that city.

Charles A. Hartman, telegraph operator at the Wabash master mechanic's office, left today for Springfield, Ohio, to spend Christmas with Mrs. Hartman's parents.

Dr. George F. Slater, of Chicago, arrived in the city last evening to spend the Xmas holiday with his father, Foreman Joseph Slater, of the Bass blacksmith shop.

George Seabold, a Nickel Plate car repairer, has been off duty for two of three days with a lameness of the back which indicates the presence of some disorder of the kidneys.

Richard Rhincking, of the Bass blacksmith shop, has every reason for enjoying Christmas. Last evening his wife presented him with a son, the first boy in the family.

Conductor George McCormick and Brakeman J. Henselman have returned to their respective duties on the Nickel Plate, the former for a rest and the latter on account of sickness.

Indianapolis Journal: "It is said that W. C. Arp, superintendent of motive power of the Vandalia, will probably be the successor of S. P. Bush as superintendent of motive power of the Panhandle lines."

R. Schellhammer, L. Schellhammer and Harry Cathrell, boilermakers, who were at Anderson two or three weeks setting up a large steel stack built at the Bass works, returned home last night, having finished the task.

Edward Brockmeyer, a wheelmaker at the Bass works, will go to Toledo this evening to spend Christmas with a young lady who is destined to become a bride soon. In fact, the friends of Mr. Brockmeyer would not be surprised to see him accompanied home by a bride next week.

J. G. Lorton, who left the Findlay road several months ago to enter the service of the Illinois Central, seems to be right in line of promotion with that company. He has been made chief train dispatcher of the Chicago division, with headquarters at Kankakee. Mr. Lorton was a passenger conductor on the Findlay.

The electric works this morning shipped a 60-light arc machine to Wooster, Ohio. The order for the machine came by telegraph and a half-hour after its receipt the dynamo was in the car and on its way to Wooster. This is quick work, of which the shipping clerks feel justly proud.

A telegram from Santa Barbara, Cal., announces the death of Dr. Edward H. Williams, senior partner of the Baldwin locomotive works of Pennsylvania. Death was due to heart trouble. Dr. Williams was prominently connected with early railroads in Wisconsin. He was knighted by the king of Norway and Sweden.

It is reported at the Pittsburg paint shop, where the young man is employed, that James Donahue was married last Monday to a handsome and accomplished young lady whose home is in Markle, Ind., and that the bride and groom are now on their wedding tour. Mr. Donahue went to Chicago on the 14th inst. and is not expected to return until next Tuesday. If he is married he has been very sly about it.

SMALLPOX AT ANDERSON.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 23.—This city is face to face with seven cases of smallpox—Thomas Dent, wife, and five children. A number of people have been exposed to the disease. A rigid quarantine is now being enforced. The disease is thought to have been brought from Arkansas, where soldiers brought it from Cuba.

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A MASS MEETING IS CALLED

EFFORT TO HAVE LAWTON'S REMAINS BURIED HERE.

Sion S. Bass Post, G. A. R., Will Gather Funds for a Monument to the Hero of Many Battles.

H. C. McMaken, I. N. Medsker and A. S. Covell, the Lawton memorial committee of Sion S. Bass post, G. A. R., have issued a call for a mass meeting to be held at the Masonic Temple next Tuesday evening under the auspices of the post, and they issue invitations to the members of Anthony Wayne post, the Union Veteran Legion, the Sons of Veterans, the veterans of the Spanish war and citizens generally to attend. Prominent citizens will deliver addresses, appropriate memorial exercises will be held and an address of condolence will be adopted, which will be forwarded to Mrs. Lawton, together with a request that the general's remains be brought to Fort Wayne for interment.

The meeting of Sion S. Bass post last evening resulted in the inauguration of active steps toward soliciting funds for a fitting monument to General Lawton. The Lawton memorial committee, Messrs. Medsker, McMaken and Covell, was continued and will proceed with the solicitation of funds to be used for the monument, instead of a sword, as at first intended. The fund now on hand will form a nucleus for the larger amount now needed.

GENERAL LAWTON'S FATHER.

General Lawton's father died at the home of Stephen Sithens, on West Superior street, in 1874, and is buried at Lindenwood. The elder Lawton was for many years a resident of this city and made his home with Mr. Sithens. He was a millwright and was employed on many of the earlier mills in this section, the last being at the Muldoon mills, south of this city. General Lawton's younger brother, George Lawton, was a soldier in the Union army and died in Ohio some years ago. Another brother, Charles Lawton, was a soldier in the confederate army during the war. This fact is known to but very few friends of the family. Charles Lawton went south in the '50's and when the war broke out his sympathies were with the south and he fought in a southern regiment. Nothing has been heard of him for years.

THE TRUST IN EVIDENCE.

Kokomo, Ind., Dec. 23.—The existence of a printers' and stationers' trust manifested itself here in the bids for county supplies, opened by the county commissioners yesterday afternoon. The Sentinel Printing company and W. B. Burford, of Indianapolis, and Wilson, Humphreys & Co., of Lagansport, were the only bidders. The lowest bid was $2,500, which is $50 more than double the cost of these supplies last year. Local printers visited Chicago and Cincinnati, with a view of securing prices on blankbooks and presenting bids, but the printing houses of these cities refused to make bids on Indiana work. The county commissioners have not accepted the bids offered. No merchant of this city bid on the jail, infirmary and orphans' home supplies. There was but one bid on medical service to the poor and that is regarded as a high one.

REPUBLICANS WILL MEET.

Judge W. J. Vesey, district chairman, has issued the call for the district convention to select his successor on the republican state central committee. There will be ninety-one delegates in the convention, apportioned as follows: Allen, 31; DeKalb, 13; LaGrange, 10; Noble, 15; Steuben, 12; Whitley, 10. Elmer Leonard will be presented by the Fort Wayne republicans and it is not known that he will have any opposition. The convention will be held in Fort Wayne on January 16, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Sunday Dinner at The Wellington Cafe, 5:30 to 7:30. Christmas Dinner at The Wellington Cafe, 12 to 2 o'clock.

Monday being Christmas, our store will be closed all day.
REUBEN S. PATTERSON.

Belott's for genuine Meerschaum pipes.

Rich Cut Glass at VOIROL'S. Prices very reasonable. 16-19-21-22-23

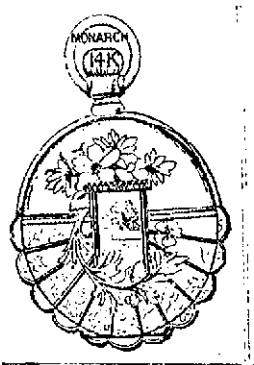
Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

Best is Gold Seal Cigars. 1916

COLLEGES CLOSE.

Concordia college and the Fort Wayne College of Medicine closed Friday evening for the holiday vacation, and many of the students have left the city for their homes. The parochial schools and the district schools also adjourned last evening, and will not be in session again until January 2.

A French scientist has found that some kinds of mushroom afford a vaccine against the venom of snakes. The juice of the mushroom renders a person immune from the poison for a month or two.



FOR THIS

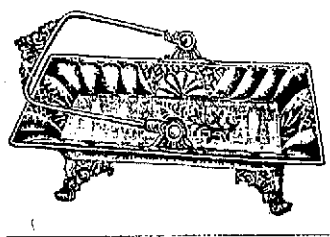
Afternoon AND Evening!

A beautiful line Silver Water Pitchers, worth $4 to $5, only $2 each.

$4 will again buy our elegant $6.50 Parlor Clocks.

All silver novelties at wholesale prices. Remember this means a saving to you of one profit, besides our stock is for the largest in Fort Wayne to select from.

Silver Vaseline Jars, 25c up.
Sterling Silver Match Cases, $1; worth $1.75.
Ebony Brushes, 75c, $1 and $1.25.
Beautiful $5 Pearl Opera Glasses, only $3.
$2.25 Teaspoons go at $1.
Best Quality Cold Meat Fork, 75c and $1.
1,000 Baby Gold Rings.



This elegant Silver Cake Dish.

only $2.00; worth $5. Fruit Dish and many other pieces only $2; worth $5.

J. L. Sievert,

Wholesale and Retail Optician and Jeweler, 85 Calhoun St.

Skates! Skates! Skates!

Carving Knives and Steels,
Pocket and Table Cutlery,
Shears and Scissors,
Star Safety Razors,
Razors and Razor Strops.

F. M. Smith & Co.,

22 Calhoun St. :-: Phone 204.

Husbands!

A Word With You.

Money spent for a Christmas Present for some piece of Furniture, that will last a lifetime, is simply INVESTED, not spent or lost. A Bedroom Suit, a Dresser, a Chiffonier, a Sideboard, a Bookcase or a Secretary, are pieces of Furniture that will always bring pretty near what you pay for them, when bought at present prices. If you desire to make your wife a Christmas present of some piece of Furniture, but are in doubt as to whether you can choose just the style she would most like, you can overcome that difficulty in two ways: First, deposit with us the probable amount and present your wife with a receipted bill for the article and let her make the selection afterward. Second, make your selection, have it delivered, and after Christmas we will exchange it for any other style your wife prefers.

SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A SIDEBOARD.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A BOOKCASE.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A DRESSER.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A BEDROOM SUITE.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A PARLOR CHAIR.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A PARLOR DAVENPORT.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A FINE ROCKER.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A PARLOR TABLE.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A PARLOR CABINET.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A BROAD, EASY COUCH.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A BOX COUCH.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A CHIFFONIER.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A DRESSING TABLE.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—A LADY'S SECRETARY.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—FINE EXTENSION TABLE.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—SET DINING ROOM CHAIRS.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—100-PIECE DINNER SET.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—DECORATED TOILET SET.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—HANDSOME FRAMED PICTURE.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—FINE PARLOR LAMP.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—ART GOODS FROM ART ROOM.
SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT—FINE WHITE CUT GLASS.

Headquarters For Fine Christmas Gifts.

Foster Furniture and Carpet Company.

THE BIG STORE. -:- A CITY IN ITSELF

THE NEW YORK STORE.

Located where all street cars converge.

And now there are but one!

One precious day in which all the enormous lot of Christmas shopping yet to be done must be accomplished. Our preparations for the day have been perfected. Reinforcements of employes for all pressing departments. Aisles ready to accommodate the thousands who are coming here. Rapid, safe and positive delivery of every package same day.

The Trees and Stockings,
Are all in Readiness
At the Homes.
And from this Magnificent Stock
OF CHRISTMAS GOODS,
We are Going to Help You in the Filling.

Gloves.

Tomorrow we show an unbroken line—all sizes, all shades—in all those excellent makes we carry—have been refilled. Nothing but our admirable system and advantages in buying could have done this.

GLOVES AT 75C A PAIR
GLOVES AT $1.00 A PAIR
GLOVES AT $1.50 A PAIR
GLOVES AT $2.00 A PAIR

All from choice selected skins; pretty embroidered backs; beautiful shades; 2 button; 3 button; 4 books.

Men's Gloves in all shades, $1.00 to $2.25 a pair.

Misses' Gloves in all colors.
Women's Lined Kid Gloves.
Women's Lined Kid Mittens.
Women's Lined Gloves.
Men's Lined Gloves.
Men's Lined Mocha Gloves.
Children's Lined Kid Mittens.

Women's Neckwear.

Pretty lines in Bows, Scarf Jabots, Scarfs, Ties, Fronts, Stock Collar all made of Chiffon, Mous d'Soie and Liberty Silks, from 25c to $5.00 each.

Black Ruffs.

Among these some extra beauties for gifts.

PERFUMERY.
PAPETERIES.
ETC., ETC.

Umbrellas.

All the new fashionable handles in Women's 26-inch Umbrellas; pretty, serviceable; in Gloria, Union Taffeta and all Silk.

GLORIAS, $1.00 TO $3.00 EACH
PURE SILK, $4.00 TO $9.00

Men's high-grade Umbrellas, buckhorn, ivory, Cape horn and natural wood handles; mounted in silver and gold.

PURE SILK, $5.00 TO $10.00
GLORIAS AND UNION TAFFETAS AT $1.00 UP TO $4.00 EACH.

Celluloid Toilet Goods.

Assorted colors, white, ivory, amber, blue, pink, hand-painted tops; neat on dressing table; Collar and Cuff Boxes, Glove and Handkerchief Cases, Manicure Sets, Comb and Brush, etc.

Mirrors.

For the dressing table; set in backs of Celluloid, Silver, Ebony and fine woods; hand and triple.

25C UP TO —— EACH.

For Babys' Comfort.

When out of doors we show some handsome

BABY FUR CARRIAGE ROBES.

China Department.

Shows handsome wares for gifts.

REAL CUT GLASS,
CHINA DINNER SETS,
CHINA TEA SETS,

Fancy Plates, Fancy Table Dishes, Cups, Saucers, etc., of all kinds, Vases, Jardinieres, Pottery, Lamps, Table Silverware, Screens, etc.

Cloak Room.

For wearable goods for gifts.

TAILOR-MADE COSTUMES.
SEPARATE SKIRTS.
RAINY-DAY SKIRTS.
SILK WAISTS.
WORSTED WAISTS.
FUR JACKETS.
FUR CAPES.
FUR SCARFS, BOAS, COLLARETTES, STORM COLLARS, MUFFS.
CHILDREN'S FUR SETS.
MACKINTOSHES.
PLANNELETTE WRAPPERS.
CASHMERE TEA GOWNS.
SILK TEA GOWNS.
GOLF CAPES.
MISSES' COATS.

Petticoats.

An excellent gift for women. Petticoats of Silk, all colors and black, $4.50 EACH TO $22.00

Petticoats of Plain Moreen, Mercerized Moreen and Sateen.

Metallic Stripe Petticoats.

PETTICOATS FROM $1.00 UP

—SOLID GIFTS.—

BLANKETS,
COMFORTS,
LAP ROBES.

These on first floor—rear.

For Children

On second floor, circling skylight.

TOYS, GAMES TEA SETS,
Christmas Tree Trimmings,
Magic Lanterns,
Doll Houses,
Doll Baby Carriages; etc., etc.

THE RURODE DRY GOODS COMPANY.

Golden the Hatter.

See our window display of fine up-to-date Holiday Goods.

Neckwear, 25c to $4.00 each.
Mufflers, 50c to $3.00 each.
Fancy Suspenders, 25c to $3.00 pair.
Men's Half Hose, 15c to $3.00 a pair.
Men's Night Shirts, 50c to $3.00 each.
Men's and Boys' Colored Shirts, 50c to $2.00 each.
Boys' Sweaters, all colors and sizes.
Handkerchiefs, all prices. See the Silk Initial Handkerchiefs we are selling at 15c each; 2 for 25c.
See our elegant line of Satchels, Dress Suit Cases and Trunks.

Golden the Hatter.

P. S.---We reduced all our 50c Ties for 25c each.

We wish
You a
Merry
Christmas

I. MAUTNER & CO,
Tailors.

The Evening Sentinel.

SATURDAY, DEC. 23, 1899.

OUR TELEPHONES.

Business Office..... 173
Editorial Rooms..... 650

THE WEATHER.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—For Indiana.—Rain tonight; Sunday and Monday fair; cooler north portions Sunday; variable winds, shifting to westerly.

LOCAL LINES.

Hayes Glass, of Chicago, is visiting in the city.

Mrs. O. B. Gross left this morning for a visit at Chicago.

Miss Mattie Wohlfort will spend the holidays in Toledo.

J. Sayre Dodge, of Elkhart, is a guest at the New Aveline.

J. Wallace Caswell, of Columbia City, is a Fort Wayne visitor.

Frank J. Woulfe, of Decatur, Ill., is the guest of relatives in the city.

W. D. Jones, of the New Aveline, has gone to Crawfordsville for a visit with friends.

Percy A. Bosworth, jr., of Akron, Ohio, will visit friends in this city over Christmas.

Mrs. J. D. Brown has gone to South Bend for a visit with the family of Hon. J. B. Stoll.

Miss Margaret Hughes, of Beaver, Pa., is spending the holidays with Mrs. Ida Overmyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius O'Neill, of Lafayette, are in the city the guests of Mrs. Mary Travis.

Mrs. Eliza Denman, of Willshire, O., is in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Underwood.

C. A. Haus and family will spend the holiday season at South Bend, the guest of Philip Haus.

J. B. Sperry, of Boston, will arrive this evening for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sperry.

Judge R. S. Taylor was a guest at the banquet of the New England society at Indianapolis last evening.

Miss Mary Cutler, of Columbus, Ohio, will spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Eiskhoff, of Fourth street.

Fred Shoaff, Ralph Lane and Elwin Hulse are among the college boys at home for a vacation. They arrived last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thompson, of Allegheny, Pa., are the guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Ella Major, for the holidays.

Miss Susie Maddux, of 133 Sherman street, has gone to Chicago to spend the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. Ethan Stevens.

Judge Chapin today conducted a hearing in the bankruptcy matters of Benjamin F. Stiefel, of Butler, and J. W. Pearse, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pellens and children left this morning for Seymour, Ind., to attend a family reunion on Christmas day.

G. O. Russell, jr., and little daughter, Velma, arrived from Albion today for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Russell, of West DeWald street.

Guy Hunter, formerly of the Queen restaurant, has enlisted in the Sixteenth Ohio regiment, and is now at Fort Slocum, N. Y. He will sail for the Philippines January 15.

Miss Eva Misner and Charles L. Misner, of West Superior street, have gone to Elkhart to spend the holidays with friends. Miss Misner will also visit in South Bend.

Cadet Lawrence J. Younge has returned from Culver military academy to spend the holiday vacation at home. Lawrence is a second lieutenant of a battalion of cadets, and the champion horse back rider of the cavalry corps.

The Fort Wayne Lotus Groupe unsectarian Sunday school meets tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at Wordermark's hall, 32 Calhoun street. An extra musical program will be given, which accounts for the early hour. The public is invited.

George Kennan, who was to appear January 5, under the auspices of the Woman's Club League course, will be unable to fill that date in Fort Wayne. There has been a confusion of dates in the lyceum bureau and another date will be selected for Mr. Kennan.

TURKEYS DOWN TO 10c LB.
CHICKENS DOWN TO 9c LB.

Selects, large, frying, 25c can.
Standards, large, stewing, 19c can.
Best Michigan Celery, 20c Bunch.
Best Cape Cod Cranberries, 8c qut.
Cincinnati Lettuce, 15c lb.
Large California Oranges, 25c doz.
Extra Large Mexican Oranges, 40c doz.
Best Messina Lemons, 20c doz.
Choice Malaga Grapes, 10c lb.
Candies and Nuts of all kinds.
We will be closed all day Monday on account of Christmas.

WHITE FRUIT HOUSE.

Christmas Dinner will be served at Wayne Hotel from 5:30 to 8 p. m.

Miss Mattie Lochner has gone to Leo to spend the holidays with friends.

Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

Mrs. W. H. McQuiston, of Paxton, Ill., is in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Mahurin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Denny and little daughter leave this evening to visit Mrs. Denny's parents at Rome City.

Miss Julia McNeamey, of Kendallville, is at the home of her father, at 66 McClellan street, to spend the holidays.

Miss Fannie Becker, of the Sacred Heart academy, went to Delphi this morning to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. J. Williams left this morning for Milwaukee, where she will be the guest of her daughter during the holidays.

Harry Fitzpatrick, a student at Latrobe college, arrived home last night to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Fitzpatrick, of West Creighton avenue. Miss May Fitzpatrick, a student at Sacred Heart academy, is also at home to spend the holiday vacation.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS DELIVERED PROMPTLY.

Call by "Bell" or "Home" phone 176, (office with the Western Union Telegraph Company) for American District Telegraph Messengers for delivery of packages, notes, etc. Only 10 cents for deliveries, 5 cents for answers.

O. L. PERRY, Supt.

I once had a corn on my toe:
And, oh, at times it would hurt me so!
Remedies of every description I tried in vain,
But not one of them relieved the pain.
Again, another new remedy I was told to try,
And to my toe this medicine I did apply.
At the end of five nights I was bothered no more,
For my toe was forced to relinquish its burden of sore.
The merits of this wonderful cure I have told,
And you, no doubt, would like to know where it is sold.
Well, just inquire at 96 Broadway, Fort Wayne,
And you will be able this remedy to obtain.
Now, these troublesome corns do not try to endure,
For "Gocke's Corn Medicine" is a permanent cure.

"A. G. H.," Cincinnati.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE

To the people of Fort Wayne and Northern Indiana we wish to extend our hearty thanks for the magnificent business done by this firm the past season, and extend to one and all a

RIGHT MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Our Store Will be Closed All Day Christmas day.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE,
Beadell & Company.

ALL DAY

The Greatest Grocery will be closed all day Christmas to give their employes a chance to enjoy the day.

THE GREATEST GROCERY.

Gunther's Chocolates and Bon Bons in holiday packages just received.

RANKE & NUSSBAUM.

JUST ARRIVED.

A full line of juvenile shirts, white and colored, ages 3 to 10 years.

REUBEN S. PATTERSON.

He will enjoy a box of Gruber's Cigars.

Don't forget the Knights of Golden Eagles' entertainment and contest Tuesday evening, Jan. 2d, at their hall, corner of Calhoun and Berry streets. The Lyman Comedy company will take part in the entertainment. Admission, 10c. After the play a number of articles will be contested for.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Graves left today for a visit with friends at Ashtabula, Ohio.

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A full line of juvenile shirts, white and colored, ages 3 to 10 years.

REUBEN S. PATTERSON.

At Miss Flick's, the up-to-date Florist, you will find the latest in fine Blooming Plants; the most exquisite Roses, Carnations, Violets in the state. All orders put up swell and promptly delivered. Store open Sunday all day; also Christmas day.

A pretty present—a package of Gunther's sweets, just received.

RANKE & NUSSBAUM.

Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

TO THE OFFICERS OF THE A. O. H. OF ALLEN COUNTY.

You are requested to be at Library Hall Sunday (tomorrow) afternoon, at 2 o'clock, sharp. Business of importance to be transacted.

MICHAEL F. BELGER, County Pres.
C. J. NORAN, County Secretary.
OWEN CUMMINGS, County Treas.

All first-class dealers can supply you with Gruber's Cigars, put up in handsome Xmas boxes.

David Dalman is quite ill at his home on Prospect avenue.

Belott's for Turkish pipes.

Buy a nice box of Cooney Bayer's cigars for Christmas. Nothing finer. 1816

MONEY TO LOAN

On Real Estate or Personal Security. C. F. Pfeiffer, Rooms 6-7 Bass Block. 2-tf

See our large line of Oxford mufflers.

REUBEN S. PATTERSON.

Always good—Gold Seal Cigars. 1916

Silver Knives and Forks at VOIROL'S. 16-19-21-22-23

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On Real and Personal Property at 5 per cent., 6 per cent. and 7 per cent. rates, according to loans.

FAY P. RANDALL.
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High-grade Chocolates, in fancy boxes, for Christmas at the Chicago Bakery. 1816

Kodaks, a third off. 12 W. Wayne.

Get UNCLE SAM Stamps gifts.

Get a nice Bracelet at VOIROL'S. 16-19-21-22-23

Beautiful Novelties in Leather Tortoise Shell and Sterling Silver at New York Hair Bazaar. 2212

CHRISTMAS COFFEE.

Fresh roasted and of finest quality. 10c up to 60c per pound.

ANDERSON'S.
22 t2 No. 1 Arcade.

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Just received, in plain and fancy boxes, Gunther's famous candies.

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Home Treatment.

No Medicine! No Electricity! No Knife!

No Surgery! Painless! Harmless! Sensible! Sure!

It stands without a rival as a curative agent and possesses complete mastery over all curable diseases without employing nauseous or poisonous drugs.

Two hours treatment will put the little one out of danger.

How many unfortunates seek the Hot Springs yearly, endeavoring to ameliorate their condition. Some are benefitted, while many are doomed to disappointment after an expenditure of much money. The Perfected Oxygenor King has restored thousands to health who have spent much time and treasure at Carlsbad, in Europe, or Hot Springs, Ark.

Don't spend your money for worthless patent medicine and humbug tablets.

Never mind if you have been pronounced incurable. Many that have been given up to die have found perfect health by the use of this Autimatic cure.

No matter what your disease or affliction is, come and see us. CONSULTATION FREE.

You can be cured. Nature gives you the remedy. Will you accept it?

"The Perfected Oxygenor King" insures your life, insures your health, insures your happiness. It will restore every lost function and cure every disease known to the world, if you will avail yourself of its use while there is enough left of you for the "God given" treatment to build upon. You say you have taken all kinds of medicine; continue taking it and you will always suffer. Use The Oxygenor, which lasts you a life time and makes you complete master of sickness and disease. Five million now being used by the best people in the United States. Send for information.

Disease meets its master, you sleep while nature cures.

Be Strong! Be Well! Be Happy! Nature Cures You!

Call or write the office for book. It teaches how all humanity may be cured of its ailments. Your intelligent investigation is solicited.

An opportunity of a life time. Intelligent men and women wanted to establish an office in every community.

Fort Wayne Oxygenor Co.,

Call or write for valuable book of information. Consultation free. All inquiries answered. Investigate, protect your family and your loved ones.

Consultation Rooms, 3 and 4 Schmitz Block.

CHARLES WESLEY RUSSARD, Manager.

THE TALK OF THE TOWN.

THE SENTINEL IS BEST EVERY DAY, BUT BIGGER SATURDAY.

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YOU REACH EVERYBODY IN FORT WAYNE WHO READS NEWSPAPERS WHEN YOU USE THE SENTINEL WANT COLUMNS.

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AMONG THE ARMENIANS.

MISS LILLIE B. BEABER TELLS OF EXPERIENCES AMONG THOSE SUFFERING PEOPLE.

Miss Lillie B. Beaber, of Fort Wayne, who is now a missionary at Tabriz, a considerable city in extreme northern Persia, writes to her friends in this city as follows:

To the Women's Foreign Missionary Societies of the P. C. Fort Wayne Presbytery, Indiana Synod.—Dear Fellow Workers:

I have delayed beginning my correspondence with you until after my first impressions should have somewhat worn off and I should be able to present the work more exactly. About two weeks after my arrival a teacher was secured for me and I began my systematic study of the Armenian, but as you may imagine my enthusiasm to begin would not permit me to spend this time in simply waiting, so I had learned the alphabet and a number of easy words. The Armenian, being the most difficult language of the three I shall acquire, is the first to be studied. The others will be taken up when I shall have a good foundation in this. Some of the letters in the Armenian differ from each other only by a tiny hair-line, thus making the reading very trying to the eyes. There are more forms in the declensions and conjugations than in Latin, German or French, but the trouble of gender in both German and French is not experienced in the Armenian, there being but the one gender. Armenians learning English use the pronoun "he" for everything. After the form and sound of the alphabet is mastered it is quite easy to read in Armenian because there are no silent letters and each letter has but one sound, but the gutteral sounds and the number of consonants placed together are very trying to English vocal organs. I am now able to join in singing the Armenian hymns, though I understand but little of what I am saying. I study between five and six hours each day and teach two English classes. As Mrs. Schermerhorn remains principal for this school year, I am very glad to be relieved of all responsibility for the school, as I can devote the larger part of my time to the language study. I find the girls of the school very bright and lovable, able to commit long passages very easily, but having little ability to think or reason independently. The methods used here in the school are not at all modern. I hope to make many changes next year, introducing new methods which I hope will turn the mechanical getting of assigned lessons in a very superficial manner into a living, grasping thirst for knowledge, and theory into practice. I long especially for this in the Bible study. The girls are able to recite whole chapters, but do not seem to enter at all into the spirit of what they recite nor to comprehend that it is for practice or for anything other than recitation. The longing to talk with them and to present some of these things in an interesting way is so strong sometimes that I feel almost impatient at my slow progress, for I do want to enter into their home life and to try to make the study of the Bible a joy rather than a disagreeable task. My fellow missionaries laugh at my impatience and tell me I am progressing very well, but my longing exceeds by far my progress, and I ask you to pray especially that I may not only learn the languages quickly and well, but that I may wait with patience until I am given of the Great Teacher the words to speak, and also that I may live such a life among these girls as will make them long for the indwelling presence of the Spirit for themselves. Mrs. Schermerhorn has been here four years and has not yet a good command of the Armenian, she cannot read or converse in Turkish and has not attempted the Persian. As I wish to both read and converse in the Armenian and Turkish before the close of this year, you may understand why I urge that you pray for this especially. My great regret since being here is that so many years of my life were spent out of service for Christ. Without seeing, I would not have believed the utter degradation and hopelessness of this people, the utter desolation of this once victorious nation, and as I ride or walk about the ruins of the ancient cities and see the barrenness of the country caused by the lack of cultivation and lack of water, and the helplessness of the people, the Bible verses predicting such desolation for those who turn away from God come to me very vividly. I look upon my own country with pride that we are a Christian nation and day by day increases my longing that many of this people, too, may be numbered among the elect. Dr. Bradford's weekly prayer meeting for Moslem women is well attended. The women listen eagerly and ask many questions. They seem to despair of being able to accept this salvation for themselves, because they know that open acceptance means certain persecution and possibly death, but I believe many of them long for it to a degree we can little realize. Mrs. Wilson has a prayer meeting for the Armenian women and on Sundays there is a service for boys, and a Christian Endeavor for the young men in the boys' school before 9:30, Armenian public service in the church at 9:30, after which is Sunday school conducted in Turkish, but having classes in Turkish, Armenian and Syriac. In the afternoon is a Turkish service and in the evening an Armenian gospel service. As in all the missionary homes in the station but ours (Mrs. S.'s inability to read in Turkish preventing it in this) the have daily prayers with their Moslem servants, and calls are exchanged with the Moslems in which there are many opportunities to read the Bible. You can see how much work there is done outside the regular work in schools, church and hospital. I have been with Dr. Bradford on a number of these calls, and the women always listen very eagerly to her praying and reading the Bible.

Yesterday Rev. Laboree, of Urumiah, Dr. Bradford, her assistant, and I went to the leper village. The ride up over the mountains was delightful, the view of Tabiz from the mountain pass especially fine. When we had passed the summit and were descending, hundreds of feet in the valley below us was a small square with a few black specks here and there. This was the leper village surrounded by a wall. We wound back and forth by many turns, stopped near the base of the mountain to eat our lunch, and finally rode up to the gate, outside of which the part of the village that could walk had gathered. I took my camera with me and will send you some prints that will describe what my pen can not, but even the camera can not describe the wretchedness of the poor creatures hardly entitled to the term men and women, for it seemed impossible to find one who possessed an entire body. I could not bring myself to photograph them in such a way as to reveal the horror of it. Dr. Bradford said they seemed more hopeless and in a worse condition than she had ever seen them. The smallness of the missionary force and the cutting down of the work made necessary by the cut in finances by the board has made it impossible for the missionaries to improve more than a small per cent. of the opportunities that are about us on every hand. There have been twenty-three deaths in this village in the past few weeks, but this did not seem so pitiable to me as to know that some of these lepers had dragged out a weary existence there for twenty or thirty years, and to see the little children, some being already consumed by the dread disease, others seeming healthful. When Dr. Bradford gave the chief the rice and goods she had brought out she was much saddened to see their listlessness and lack of the usual eagerness over the supplies. The people are very good to each other. Supplies are given to the chief for distribution and the people all seem satisfied with his management. Many of them were nearly naked, and some besides those who were shaking with a chill were shivering with the cold. They were appreciative and loved in their expressions of thankfulness and in calling upon God to bless us for coming to see them and for bringing the things to them, but their sickness and despair showed itself in their every action. The cut in finances has affected every part of our work so that we have but very few tracts and Bible portions for distribution. I am going to ask you to send me a duplicator like those used in the Fort Wayne public schools and some ink and paper in the first box that comes, so that I may copy some verses to put into these eager hands. These duplicators cost but $3.50, the ink 15c per bottle and the paper 8c a pound. A pound will make a thousand or more verses, so I think it well worth while. Howah, Dr. Bradford's assistant, took the women aside to read and pray with them, while Dr. Bradford herself talked to the men. One man asked her if in the next world there would be such sickness and if they would have enough to eat. Some could not talk to ask questions, but their companions understood the noises made by the diseased vocal organs and talked for them. When Dr. Bradford had finished reading and opened her satchel to give the quinine, salve and other medicines she had brought, they crowded about her, each one wild in his desperate efforts to get some before the small supply should be exhausted. I saw one man hold two small tablets in his stub of a hand, caress them and kiss them over and over again as a little child acts upon the finding of a long lost most beloved toy. Then we went within the village walls and into some of the miserable holes which are their homes. In one we found one poor man in a dying condition. One can not wish these people would live, but one can not help but cry out that they might find Life before they die, and when one must remember that many of these people have never had even one opportunity to hear of Christ we can not shut our eyes to the responsibility placed upon Christians in verses like Acts I. 8. They begged us to remain longer, but patients in the hospitals in Tabriz needed Dr. Bradford's care before the night, so we mounted our horses and rode away, carrying in our ears the pleadings, prayers and thanksgiving of the village.

This afternoon I went with Dr. Bradford to visit a young mother, a mere girl of 17, but no larger than a child of 12 or 13. Her babe was born dead a few days ago and the mother is in a precarious condition. At her head was a sword cut into an onion, resting against the wall. This was to keep away the evil eye. The midwives here sometimes prop the patient up on bedclothes and jerk the legs, or lift them up by their arms, shaking them violently. This is supposed to be of great benefit. They will allow the patient no water to drink for several days.

As I saw them, this afternoon, drag out a dirty bit of rag for Dr. Bradford to use as a bandage and saw how carefully she had to examine it, that the dirt on it might not be worse than ordinary dirt, I thought of our American mothers and how the mother's heart would have sickened at the thought of that rag being placed near her child, and of the piles of fresh, clean cloths always laid by for sick room use. The poor child was suffering intensely. My heart ached for her. The husband came to the window every little while to inquire for her, though usually they do not seem to care. Wives are easy to get and a sick wife is often thrust into the street to make houseroom for a healthy one. This man was weaving silk in a little factory in the yard, and earns 2 krons, 20 cents, a day.

There are many things to write of the work here in Tabriz. If you could know how cheering the letters are that come from the dear home-land I know some of you busy women would find time to write me.

Yours in His service,

Lillie B. Beaber.

HUNTING IN CUBA.

In eastern Cuba Weyler's campaigns of extermination have led to an unexpected result—a decided and probably permanent improvement of the local hunting grounds. Thousands of stampeded pigs, goats and chickens have taken refuge in the Sierras and become self-supporting enough to defy recapture. Practice has also improved their speed. Barnyard fowl has turned into woodbirds and pass the nights in almost inaccessible roosts—the top branches of tall forest trees, shrouded by a mantle of tangled vines. The Spanish settlers, who imported pigs from Andalusia and Aragon, would not recognize their descendants in the jungles of the Sierra de Cobre. Ordinary hunting dogs can hardly venture to encounter the fierce boars that rush at every intruder of their lairs and stand at bay until their female relatives have scuttled into pathless thickets. As natural game preserves both Cuba and San Domingo have, in fact, more than doubled their attractiveness since the time when the companions of Columbus explored the uplands of Santiago and marveled at the almost total absence of wild quadrupeds. Birds abounded, but there were no deer in the forests, no foxes, bears or badgers in the mountain cliffs. There were neither rabbits nor squirrels, the only indigenous mammal being the hutia, a burrowing rodent that seems to form a connecting link between the marmots and wood rats.—Indianapolis Press.

WHERE GOLD FISH GROW.

About three miles south of St. Joseph, on the King Hill road, is located one of the Missouri state fish hatcheries. Its chief interest lies in the fact that it is the only place in the state, or in this section of the country anywhere, where gold fish are propagated and distributed. Here these little aquarium beauties may be obtained for a mere "thank you," and many are they who avail themselves of this privilege. From October until January four gold fish each are given to every citizen of the state until the supply is exhausted.—St. Louis Republic.

The healthiest spot in the world seems to be a little hamlet in France named Aumone. There are only forty inhabitants, twenty-five of whom are eighty years of age and one is over 100.

CHRISTMAS CHIMES OF '99

By Rev. Heber Newton, D. D.

Over eighteen hundred times the Christmas bells have rung out their message of "peace on earth, good will among men." If the angels ever grow weary, they may well have tired of these repetitions of their ancient message and wondered at the slowness with which men received those glad tidings and have entered into them. Let us hope that the heavenly beings, who "look with larger eyes than ours," see through all our slowness of heart, our lagging hope and faith, and have patience with us as we ring and sing once more the old Christmas message—while we hunt the Boers in Africa and chase the Tagalogs in Luzon.

For with all the ground of discouragement there is no need for despair. Alfred Russel Wallace, in his "Wonderful Century," sums the discoveries of our nineteenth century in a manner which ought to elate every thoughtful mind. He shows that we have achieved, in the way of the mastery over nature, not only more than any other century, but more than all previous centuries put together. The triumphs of physical science in our century are but the precursors of the triumphs of science in the twentieth century. No visions of the dreamers can equal the sober expectation of those who forecast the developments of science in another hundred years. The powers of nature are trooping to the feet of man. Man is the modern Aladdin, holding in his hand the lamp of knowledge, in rubbing which the Genii of earth and air and sky come forth to do his bidding. He is going to have power to do almost anything he wishes with the world before another century rolls round and the Christmas bells ring out in 1999. There will be power to make a new world out of the old world if man really wants to do it.

It does not look altogether on the surface of things as though man wanted very heartily to do this. Selfishness seems rampant. Greed appears triumphant. The brute force of money claims rule everywhere. Below the surface, however, deep forces are making for something better.

The dying year sees the awakening of a new social enthusiasm, a new and deep passion for that true republic which Plato long ago, in his sketch of the ideal city, said was synonymous with justice. Ruskin in art, William Morris in poetry, Wagner in music, Mazzini in public affairs—these are but the prophets of the movement which through all realms of life is setting toward a better social order.

Christian socialism is in the air. Churches are being leavened with it. Think of the sale of that simple little book, "In His Steps, a sale running up into hundredes of thousands—and yonder the significance of it. No more striking sign could be given of the reawakening of the social conscience. At last, after ages of theological speculation and ecclesiastical organization, Christians are really beginning to find their religion in the effort to follow in the "blessed steps of His most holy life;" to act in their several vocations just as He would have done in them.

At last the churches are coming to believe that the way to celebrate Christmas is to breathe the spirit of Christ into the world of business and politics. Sissie Jupes was right, after all, when she timidly answered the stentorian question of the school examiner: "What is the chief principle of political economy?" "To do unto others as we would have others do unto us." Golden-Rule Jones is an auspicious sign of the times, with his enthusiastic following electing him mayor of Toledo, and re-electing him, and then polling 100,000 votes, without any party organization, to put him in the gubernatorial chair. Soon there may not be one Golden-Rule Jones alone, standing out as a shining mark, but a Golden-Rule Smith and Brown and Robinson in hosts of factories and multitudes of city halls.

If we will but believe it, the good time coming may far more speedily than we think. It has taken Christianity 1800 years to grow the conscience which is now turning in our social problem. It has long been foreseen that if once the ethical forces of Christianity seriously grappled with this problem there would be a social revolution. That is the prospect which we face today at the end of the century, full of hope and cheer. The powers of nature, for the first time in human history coming into the hand of man to do as he chooses with them, will make a production of wealth sufficient to end the worst poverty. And now, as science gives him this mastery over nature, lo! conscience calling him to use his new dominion as the Son of God. All nature's movements show long, slow, dreary times of preparation for the creative action, which at last comes abruptly and as if by miracle. So the spring comes in—the weary days of March and the tantalizing days of April making ready for the warm week in May, when the bushes leap into leafage and blossoming. So it is with social movements. These eighteen centuries of Christendom have not been lost. They have been making ready for the springtime, which may be nearer now than we think. Henry George and Edward Bellamy and Lawrence Gronlund desired to see the day, but died without the sight. But their children may see the dawning of it.

"Reform ye," then—so sounds the voice of the Eternal Spirit, the Power back of evolution—"Reform ye! for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." So we may gird ourselves to every task of reform with new hope and fresh enthusiasm, and ring our Christmas bells again, sure that, sooner or later, sooner than later perhaps, we shall "ring out the old and ring in the new."

"There was never a time on the
face of the earth
When love was so near its own."

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SENATORS' ALLOWANCE.

It cost the country $1,374,011.00 to run the United States senate for the year ending last July. This included, of course, the salaries of the senators, the salaries of the clerks, messengers, private secretaries, capitol police on the senate side, mileage and other expenses, including the contingent fund. Secretary Cox, of the senate, has just made his annual report, showing how this money was expended. Some interesting items appear. Each senator is allowed a certain amount for stationery and newspapers. If he desires he may draw this allowance in cash. The secretary's report shows that there has been a great falling off in reading among the senators, for a large number preferred to take the cash. Ex-Senator Cannon, of Utah, stands first in this respect. He took $84.25 in cash from his allowance. Senator Hoar comes next having received $70.32 in cash.

It costs $25,000 to report the senate proceedings and over $8,000 went for the purchase of furniture, while $2,000 more was paid to repair it, and over $1,500 to clean it. It cost $5,000 to keep the senate horses and wagons, and $10,397.00 for newspapers and stationery. During the year the vice president's room was refitted in the most handsome style, the rug on the floor costing over $450, while the hall clock cost $600. The lace curtains cost $300, and the antique desk $325. The sofas and chairs cost $280. The most expensive thing in the room, however, is a silver inkstand, which cost $1,000, and the deskpad on which it stands cost $7. During the blizzard of last February it cost $25 to clean the snow off the senate roof, and over $200 for carriages to send the senators home during the storm.

Fuel cost $14,035.17, and ice averaged about $225 per month. The senators seemed very fond of lemons, for during one week in June $176 was paid for thirty-two boxes of this fruit. Another item of interest is $137.64 for 2,510 pounds of sugar, while 116 cases of lithia water cost $725.28. It is explained that during the hot months the senators drink lemonade instead of water. The report contains page after page of items of telegrams sent by senators. The dispatches sent by Senator Quay occupy nearly four pages, and strange as it may seem, nearly all of them went to Altoona, and were sent on one day, March 18, 1899. The senators seemed to be very fond of drugs, for thousands of quinine pills were bought at various times. Soda mint tablets, bromo-seltzer, cough drops, one drachm of attar of roses and one quart of castor oil, are also noted. Formerly there was a big item for snuff, and a snuff box was kept in the senate for the use of the older senators. This year snuff seems to have been little used, for only one purchase on this account appears. Gross after gross of penknives and dozen after dozen of scissors and scrapbooks were also purchased for the use of the senators.—New York Mail and Express.

OLD TIME SURGERY.

A grim souvenir of an old time war was on view in a cutler's window in the East End. It is an ebony-handled saw, which, according to the inscription on the brass plate attached to the implement, was used by a surgeon of the British army to amputate the limbs of wounded soldiers at Blenheim, Malplaquet and Ramillies.—London Telegraph.

According to the report of the Mendicity society, there are 70,000 professional beggars in London.

HOW RHODES STARTED.

A REMINISCENCE OF THE EARLY DAYS IN THE KIMBERLEY DIAMOND MINES.

Residing upon his ranch in southern California is a gentleman—Hon. John Study, late of Kimberley, South Africa, and an ex-colonial minister of finance—who, from a personal knowledge of the subject, describes how the first diamond was discovered which led to the building up of the beleagured city of Kimberley, and how Cecil Rhodes laid the foundation of his colossal wealth and power.

"It was in 1869," says Mr. Study, "that I first met Herbert Rhodes, the pioneer of the Rhodes' family fortune, at Du Toitspan, where we joined in the rush to Old De Beers, and in which latter place we worked together upon very friendly terms.

"In a short time Herbert Rhodes was followed by Frank, now Colonel Rhodes, when the two brothers entered into a partnership, working a good-paying claim upon Bond No. 8.

"Both brothers were very popular at the diggings. Herbert was a strong, good all-around man, and, if he possessed a fault, it was his big-hearted generosity, which at times carried him to lengths of expenditure perhaps not warranted by the extent of his find, and who surely deserved a better fate than that horrible one of being burnt to death, which subsequently overtook him when gold prospecting on the coast of Zanzibar.

"I had worked for over a year at Old De Beers with fairly satisfactory results, when I went out, in company with a friend, upon that memorable hunting trip which led to the discovery of New Rush, or Kimberley, and, incidentally, to the making of the fortune and fame of the Rt. Hon. Cecil Rhodes.

"It was on a Sunday afternoon, I remember, that we had pushed our way across a plain of high Tambuke grass, when, in searching for some partridges I had brought down near a clump of minora bushes, I found a prospect to which I at once called the attention of my companion.

"On making a careful survey of the ground, seeing that it was of a similar formation to that of Old De Beers, I sat down, and sorted out some of the dirt, when, in less than five minutes, I picked out as many small diamonds.

"With this evidence of an important discovery before us, we decided to give up the 'shoot,' and, returning to camp at Old De Beers, I immediately urged upon my partner the advisability of starting for the new ground. My partner, however, happened to be a man of a very conservative disposition and was skeptical of the value of my discovery, asking if there were not enough diamonds right where we stood to satisfy our needs, instead of madly rushing all over the country, and in the hunt of a shadow perhaps lose the substance.

"Still, impressed with the belief that I had made a big find, I went over to the tent of an old Natal friend, Popham, by name, with whom at the time was Herbert Rhodes. I told them of my discovery, and we three at once decided to organize a stampede for the new field.

"Popham and Rhodes got away in less than two hours, and I fully intended to accompany them, but deferred to the wishes of my partner, to remain with him at Old De Beers, sending on four Kaffir Zulus, however, to help stake out our claims.

"It was but a few hours after, through the instrumentality of the friend who I had taken with me on the hunting trip, that the news was spread abroad through the camp, and before 7 o'clock the next morning Old De Beers was deserted, and in twenty-four hours later there were from 3,000 to 4,000 men on the ground on which now stands the city of Kimberley.

"In a few days the country all around that clump of minos, where I had shot the partridges, was staked out, and it was almost upon that spot, right in the center of the crater of the extinct mud volcano now forming the celebrated De Beers mine, that Popham, Herbert Rhodes and myself secured three of the best paying claims.

"It was about five or six months after this, when we had all moved to New Rush, that Cecil Rhodes, the youngest brother, unexpectedly turned up at the diggings.

"Cecil Rhodes was, both in appearance and character, quite different to his brothers, being at that time tall and thin, darker in complexion than Frank Rhodes, but not so dark as Herbert.

"His constitution appeared to be very delicate, and it was generally understood that he had come out more with the idea of building up his health than making a fortune.

"He took up his abode in a tent close to my own, and for some months, on account of the intimate relations existing between his brothers and myself, I saw a good deal of him; in fact, dining with the three almost every night.

"While, as I said before, Herbert and Frank Rhodes were open-hearted, generous fellows, Cecil, on the other hand, was of an altogether different character, being very reserved and hard to draw out. He was, at first, evidently not bubbling over with delight at all he witnessed and heard in his new surroundings, taking rather unkindly to the situation which did not tend to make him popular in the camp, and even his brothers seemed a little shy of his presence.

"On the morning of his arrival in camp Herbert Rhodes asked me to take his brother Cecil down and show him over the claims, where they were working from eighteen to twenty Zulus. To this request I readily agreed, and while in the pit pitched out a small diamond from the side wall and handed it to him—his first stone in South Africa. He was, however, very reticent of all he saw, only remarking that he had no idea it was like this or that, and apparently by no means enthusiastic over the prospect of becoming a diamond digger.

"Having made up his mind to stay, he settled down to work with a determination and unflinching purpose that seemed out of keeping with his delicate health and build. From the first, he eschewed the convivial habits of his brothers, criticising their actions severely by saying that he did not see the reason or necessity of squandering money in giving champagne suppers to the other diggers, and, that for his part, his only object was to make a large enough sum to go home and never set eyes on the beastly place again."

Mr. Study here interposes, that, with regard to Kimberley at that time, Mr. Rhodes' criticism was perfectly just.

"It was not long after Cecil Rhodes came upon the scene," Mr. Study continues, "that I foresaw that, sooner or later, there was going to be a split in the camp. In this prognostication I was eventually proved to be right, for Herbert, first of all, sold out his interest to Cecil, and then Frank did the same; when Cecil, who would hardly spend enough on his food and clothes to keep body and soul decently together, began, with the aid of his savings, to engineer those plans which have raised him to be one of the two foremost men in South Africa."

One important trait in Cecil Rhodes' character, that of his well-known fondness for animals, is emphasized by a story related by Mr. Study, when the former had only been a short time in South Africa. It appeared that upon a certain afternoon when Cecil Rhodes was returning to his tent, having knocked off work for the day, a mongrel dog, fleeing from the lash of an inhuman Boer, took refuge at Mr. Rhodes' side, jumping up and licking the young fellow's hand and whining piteously for protection.

"Kick that brute over here," shouted the Boer, "and I'll thrash the life out of him."

"I'm not in the habit of kicking any animal," calmly rejoined Mr. Rhodes. "What has the poor beast done?"

"That's no business of yours," retorted the angry Boer. "He's my dog, not yours, and I'll do what I like with him."

"Will you?" replied Mr. Rhodes, resting his hand upon the dog's head. "I rather think not; at least, not while I'm here," and he stood confronting the Boer, while the dog cowered at his feet.

"Well," said Mr. Rhodes, after a pause, during which the Boer threateningly handled his whip, "what are you going to do? Thrash me and the dog, both? I think not. I think, perhaps, we had better pass him over to my care. Here!" and drawing a coin from his pocket he tossed it over to the Boer. "Take that and leave the dog with me. Come along, doggie," and, with the poor brute at his heels, he strode on to his tent.

"And for many a long day," continued Mr. Study, "that mongrel was probably the only confidant which Mr. Rhodes possessed—the only creature which might have heard whispered many an ambitious design and far-reaching project."

HARD TIMES.

"I see no humor in making fun of one's racial characteristics," remarked the giraffe.

"What's the matter?" asked the elephant.

"That monkey person constantly refers to me as Rubber."—Philadelphia North American.

Origin of Mormonism.

Interest in Mormonism has been revived and stimulated throughout the country by the prominence the Roberts case has been given in national affairs, and the origin of the sect established by Joseph Smith has peculiar interest now. Rev. W. A. Stanton, D. D., of Pittsburg, Pa., in a recent issue of the Standard, sets forth a very interesting account of it and throws some light on some points hitherto not commonly known.

Two movements in the second quarter of the Nineteenth century, each of which was claimed by its leader to be a reformation of religion, have an important place in American religious history, writes Dr. Stanton. The first was the beginning and rise of Mormonism under the manipulations of Joseph Smith and Sidney Rigdon. The second was the developement of modern spiritualism or "spiritism," beginning with the "rappings" of the Fox sisters in western New York. The first reformation had close connection with Baptist history in and about Pittsburg, Pa. Having been pastor of a Baptist church in Pittsburg for about ten years, with excellent opportunities for investigations, I propose to tell what I have learned as to the relation of Sidney Rigdon to the Book of Mormon. Of course this story will be denied by Mormons and their friends; within twelve hours of this writing I have been visited by two Mormon officials and treated to a strenuous and indignant denial; but denial is not proof. I submit the plain, ungarnished facts to the public, and abide by its verdict.

RIGDON'S BEGINNINGS.

He was born February 19, 1793, on a farm near the hamlet of Library, a few miles south of Pittsburg. Elder David Phillips baptized him into the membership of the Peter's Creek Baptist church, at Library, May 31, 1817. Alexander Campbell had supplied the pulpit at times, and it was largely through his influence that Rigdon was called. He had almost supplanted his faithful pastor at Peter's Creek by his forwardness and ambition. Elder Phillips said, "As long as Rigdon lives he will be a curse to the Church of Christ." Rev. Samuel Williams was a successor to Rigdon in the Pittsburg pastorate. From a sermon of Williams on Mormonism I quote: "There was so much of the miraculous about Rigdon's conversion at Library, and so much parade about his profession, that the pious and discerning pastor entertained serious doubts at the time in regard to the genuineness of the work." Rigdon afterwards confessed to a deacon of the Pittsburg church that he "made up his experience in order to get into the church."

He came to Pittsburg direct from Warren, Ohio. Rigdon began to preach views not consonant with the doctrine of the church. A church council being called, finally rendered a verdict finding Rigdon guilty of "holding and teaching many abominable heresies." He was thereupon deposed from the ministry and excluded from the church. In August, 1827, Rigdon was in attendance at the Mahoning Baptist association in New Lisbon, Ohio, and by courtesy of the association preached a sermon on the evening of August 27. Just thirty days after that sermon Joseph Smith proclaimed his finding of "The Golden Bible," better known as the Book of Mormon, at the little village of Manchester, six miles from Palmyra, New York.

Rigdon soon went hither, professed immediate conversion to the "find," and straightway preached the first Mormon sermon. It was preached in Palmyra and showed a remarkable amount of information for a new convert. It was said that he seemed to know more about it than Smith himself. Abundant reason for this will soon be shown. Smith claimed to have been directed by an angel to the burial place of a stone box in which was a volume six inches thick and composed of thin gold leaves, eight by seven inches, fastened together by three gold rings. The writing on them was called "Reformed Egyptian." There was also a pair of "supernatural spectacles;" two crystals, that Smith called "Urim and Thummim," were set in a silver bow. When Smith put these on he claimed to be able to translate the reformed Egyptian language. I have heard my father-in-law, then nineteen years old and still living, who knew Smith, say that he was scarcely able to read or write plain English. He characterized him as a quick-witted, lazy, superstitious fellow who spent his time in digging for treasures and locating springs for wells with a divining rod. He was just the man for Rigdon to attempt to use as a tool, although in the long run he proved too shrewd for his former master. It probably will never be known why Rigdon did not take first place in Mormonism. It is certain that Smith developed better qualities of leadership, and it is probable that Rigdon never dared offend Smith for fear of exposure as to their secret.

Neither Smith nor Rigdon had money to publish this "Golden Bible." They succeeded in interesting a well-to-do farmer named Martin Harris, who furnished the means. Oliver Cowdery was employed as an amanuensis. He wrote what Smith dictated to him from the farther side of the concealing curtain. In 1830 the book was printed, and with it a sworn statement by Cowdery, Harris and a David Whitmer, that an angel of God had shown them the plates of which the book purported to be a translation. Some years later these three men renounced Mormonism and declared said sworn statement false. I recently opened the Book of Mormon that lay upon the pulpit in the Mormon Tabernacle at Salt Lake City. Upon its page was this sworn statement by these three men, but their recantation was not there. The Mormons explain the disappearance of the "golden leaves" by assuming that an angel took them away. As a matter of fact we have only Joseph Smith's word for it, aside from the above statement, that they ever existed. In spite of this a leading Mormon told me, as he and I stood by Brigham Young's grave a few weeks ago, that they had two Bibles of equal authority. One contained the Old and New Testament, the other is the Book of Mormon.

Sidney Rigdon was Joseph Smith's angel.

Now we return to Pittsburg. In 1761 Solomon Spaulding was born in Ashford, Conn., and was graduated from Dartmouth college in 1785. Later in life he lived in New Salem and Conneaut, Ohio. There he wrote a manuscript which he called "The Manuscript Found." He read it to numerous of his relatives and friends. Its leading characters bore such names as Mormon, Maroni, Lamanite and Nephi. It divided the population of this continent into two classes, the righteous and the idolatrous, and told an imaginary story of the discovery of their history as recorded on a manuscript that was centuries ago concealed in the earth. It was full of wars and rumors of wars and presented a record of the preaching of Christianity in America during the first century after Christ. Mr. Spaulding being a minister and familiar with Bible history made his romance correspond closely to the biblical records as their sequel. In 1812 he moved to Pittsburg. Robert Patterson had a printing establishment here, his foreman was Silas Engles. Spaulding desired Patterson to publish his work but was unable to guarantee the expenses if the book should prove a failure. Patterson testified that he saw said manuscript and told Engles to print it if Spaulding furnished security for expenses. He further testified that Spaulding was unable to do so and that he supposed that Engles returned the manuscript to its author. As a matter of fact Spaulding moved to Amity, Washington county, Pa., in 1814 and died there in 1816. Joseph Miller, of Amity, was an intimate friend of Spaulding; he heard him read much of his manuscript and testified (see Pittsburg Telegram in 1879) to Spaulding's telling him that while he was writing a preface for the book the manuscript was spirited away, that a Sidney Rigdon was suspected of taking it. Miller also said that when he read the Book of Mormon he at once recognized Spaulding's story. Redick McKee, of Washington county, bears the same testimony and says that Rigdon was employed in Patterson's office. Some of Rigdon's friends deny that he was employed there, but Mrs. R. J. Eichbaum, who died in Pittsburg in 1882, was clerk in the Pittsburg postoffice from 1811 to 1816, her father being postmaster. She gave testimony to the intimacy between Rigdon and Lambdin, their coming to the office together, and Engles' telling her that "Rigdon was always hanging about the printing office." It is also a matter of fact that Lambdin became Patterson's business partner in 1818. Spaulding's widow testified that Rigdon was connected with the office in some way. It seems evident that Rigdon was about the office to say the least. Six years later he returned to Pittsburg as the pastor of the Baptist church. Patterson had died in 1814, Lambdin died in 1825, Engles in 1827. Rigdon's pastorate was while both were yet alive and he was intimate with both.

Rev. John Winter, M. D., known to many in western Pennsylvania, testified that he was in Rigdon's study in Pittsburg in the winter of 1822-3, that Rigdon took from his desk a large manuscript and said in substance, "A Presbyterian minister, Mr. Spaulding, whose health failed, brought this to the printer to see if it would pay to publish it. It is a romance of the Bible." Rev. A. J. Bonsall, now pastor of the Baptist church in Rochester, Pa., tells me that Dr. Winter, who was his stepfather, often referred to this incident, saying that the manuscript purported to be a history of the American Indian, and that Rigdon said he got it from the printers. Mrs. Mary W. Irvine, of Sharon, Pa., Dr. Winter's daughter, says: "I have frequently heard my father speak of Rigdon having Spaulding's manuscript, that he said he got it from the printer to read as a curiosity. As such he showed it to my father and then seemed to have no intention of using it as he evidently afterward did. Father always said that Rigdon helped Smith in his scheme by revising and transforming this manuscript into the Mormon Bible."

As late as 1879 a Mrs. Amos Dunlap, of Warren, Ohio, wrote of having visited the Rigdons when she was young and of his taking a manuscript from his trunk and becoming greatly absorbed in it. His wife threatened to burn it but he said, "No, indeed, you will not, this will be a great thing some day."

In 1820 the Widow Spaulding married Mr. Davidson, of Hartwick, Otsego county, N. Y.; in May, 1839, the Boston Recorder published a statement from her made to and recorded by Rev. D. R. Austin, of Monson, Mass., to the effect that a Mormon preacher took a copy of the Mormon Bible to New Salem, Ohio, where her husband had lived and written much of his manuscript, and read from it at a public meeting. She said that many of the older people immediately recognized it as her husband's romance and that his brother, John Spaulding, arose then and there and protested against such a use of his late bother's writings. Rigdon wrote to the Boston Recorder an emphatic and coarse denial of this fact and said that he had never heard of such a man as Spaulding.

The reader may judge, after what has been said, whether he ever had. In August, 1880, Scribner's Monthly published some testimony from Solomon Spaulding's daughter, Mrs. M. S. McKinstry, of Washington, D. C. She certifies to the same facts and bears testimony to the parallelism between the Book of Mormon and her father's romance. Mrs. President Garfield's father, Mr. Z. Rudolph, knew Rigdon well and says that "during the winter previous to the appearance of the Mormon Bible Rigdon spent weeks away from home, gone no one knew where; when he returned he seemed very much preoccupied, talked in a dreamy, imaginative way, and puzzled his listeners. His joining the Mormons so quickly made his neighbors sure that he was in the secret of the authorship of the Book of Mormon." The book was printed in the office of the Wayne Sentinel, Palmyra, N. Y. The editor was Pomeroy Tucker. In 1827 he printed a book, "Origin and Progress of Mormonism." In it he says that during the summer of 1827 (the "Leaves of Gold" were found in September, 1827) a stranger made several mysterious visits at Smith's home. He was afterwards recognized as Rigdon, who afterwards preached the first Mormon sermon in Palmyra. This statement is corroborated by Mrs. Dr. Horace Eaton who lived in Palmyra for more than thirty years.

Not to weary patience let me say that testimony has been secured from many others. As early as 1835 Mr. E. D. Howe, of Painsville, Ohio, printed the full testimony of eight reliable witnesses, such persons as John Spaulding and wife Martha, Henry Lake a former business associate of Solomon Spaulding, Oliver Smith, Aaron Wright and Nahum Howard, all of Conneaut, Ohio, all of whom certified that the Book of Mormon and Spaulding's romance were in substance identical. Finally, Rigdon's brother-in-law, Rev. Adam Bently, and Alexander Campbell both testify ("The Millennial Harbinger," 1844) that as much as two years before the Mormon Bible made its appearance Rigdon told them that "such a book was coming out, the manuscript of which had been found engraved on gold plates." In spite of this Rigdon claimed that he first heard of the Book of Mormon from Parley P. Pratt in August, 1830. In the light of this evidence whence think ye came the Book of Mormon and what is its claim to divine authority? Was not Rigdon Joseph Smith's angel?

VALUATION.

"I am afraid you don't appreciate popularity at its full value."

"I ought to be able to," rejoined Senator Sorghum. "I have paid for enough of it."—Washington Star.

RELIABLE MEDICINE.

"Do you believe in mind cure?"

"Yes," answered Mr. Meekton's wife. "It sometimes works with matters of habit. Every time I give Mr. Meekton a piece of my mind about smoking it cures him for several days."—Washington Star.

Excluding 5,320 Indians in New York and 62,500 Indians embraced in the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian territory, the Indians number approximately 181,586, as against 180,132 reported for the previous year.

INDIA'S NEED OF AID.

India faces a prospect of distress equal to, if not greater, than that of 1897. A brief glance at the conditions of Indian life and the methods of relief when famine is threatening will best explain the necessity for immediate assistance. The area of the present famine is 350,000 square miles, and affects a population of 30,000,000. It includes the greater part of the Bombay presidency, the Central provinces, Rajputana and a part of the Punjab. With ordinary rainfall the fertile soil supplies the population with food sufficient for its wants, yet not in that excess which would enable them to meet a failure of a year's crops without terrible destitution. When this is considered with the fact that the famine of 1897 has weakened the resources of thousands who had been fairly prosperous, and that the crops since 1897 have not been above the average, it will be seen that the people of the famine area are little able to meet the calamity facing them.

These conditions have been clearly recognized by Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, and the authoritative statement issued by the government reveals the preparations made to go into immediate effect in nearly every locality where distress manifests itself. The wise principle for relief, whether for the government or private beneficence, is immediate help, for thereby, at a minimum cost, thousands are kept on their feet, and for those who are destitute the work provided for them prevents that emaciation of body which is so terrible a feature of a famine. Private beneficence supplements government aid, and because less restricted can individualize more, and so relieve in ways not possible for the government. The government supplies work in the form of road-making, irrigation, cutting grass on the mountain for the preservation of cattle, and the like. Private beneficence helps individuals to go to these relief works; buys grain and sells it at cost price, thus competing successfully with the heartless grain dealer who grows fat from exorbitant gains. Private beneficence can keep thousands at their regular work by purchasing the products of the hand-looms or buying the wood cut in the mountains by the wild tribes and others, and by reselling this have a partial return of their capital for further help. Then there are the children, the weaker women, the old men that are unable to endure the severe work of a relief camp, for whom gratuitous distribution of food may have to be made.

It is evident to all who have an intelligent grasp of the conditions of Indian life that the most valuable time for help is during the earlier stages of the famine.

There are various local relief committees in India for administering funds, but for American funds the simplest avenues for their distribution is through the missionary bodies representing this country. Many of the Congregational, Presbyterian, Methodist and other boards work in the famine area, and their missions form ready-made organizations for famine relief.

THE ROMANCE OF LADYSMITH.

Ladysmith, the South African town which has occupied a large proportion of public attention since the Boers began the siege of its British garrison, over a month ago, was named in honor of the wife of Gen. Sir Henry Smith, once a high British officer in Cape Colony. Sir Harry's marriage was a romance of the Peninsular war. One evening two young officers in a Spanish town which the British troops had occupied were visited by two young and beautiful Spanish girls of high degree, who begged their protection in the alarming circumstances under which they were placed. It was, of course, given with the utmost gallantry, and in a very short time Captain Smith found himself desperately in love with one of the young ladies, who in due time became his wife. The marriage proved happy, and long years afterward, when Sir Harry, then commanding the western district, was paying a visit to the late Lord Mount-Edgecombe, a lady who noticed Lady Smith's admiration of her husband, said: "I really believe that she thinks that, having seen her Henriquez on Aliwal (his famous charger), one might die happy."

Shapely Married Women

Every woman covets a shapely, pretty figure, and many of them deplore the loss of their girlish forms after marriage. The bearing of children is very destructive to the mother's shapeliness. This can be avoided, however, by the use of MOTHER'S FRIEND before baby comes, as this scientific liniment prepares the body for the strain upon it, and preserves the symmetry of form. MOTHER'S FRIEND also obviates all the danger of child-birth, and carries the expectant mother safely through this critical period without pain. It is woman's greatest blessing, and thousands gratefully tell of the great good it has done them. Sold by all druggists at $1 00 per bottle.

Our little book, telling all about this great remedy, will be sent free to any address by THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR COMPANY, Atlanta, Georgia.

Mother's Friend

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

HAMILTON NATIONAL BANK

At Fort Wayne, in the State of Indiana, at the Close of Business December 2, 1899.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 857,613 15
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		16,218 25
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		200,000 00
U. S. bonds on hand		215,000 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds		20,689 85
Stocks, securities, etc		205,454 24
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		75,470 08
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)		186,454 30
Due from state banks and bankers		866 10
Due from approved reserve agents		49,700 85
Checks and other cash items		15,256 50
Notes of other national banks		70,067 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		719 23
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz..		
Specie	$223,055 75	
Legal tender notes	27,172 00	
		215,127 75
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)		9,000 00
Total		$2,174,627 19

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 200,000 00
Surplus fund	250,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	12,852 37
National banks notes outstanding	180,000 00
Due to other national banks	33,137 37
Due to state banks and bankers	47,847 04
Individual deposits subject to check	522,626 57
Demand certificates of deposit	933,143 85
Certified checks	2,540 00
Total	$2,174,627 19

CHARLES M'CULLOCH, President. JOHN MOHR, JR., Cashier.

CHARLES S. BASH,
BENJAMIN ROTHSCHILD, Directors.
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FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Capital and Surplus $500,000.

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Interest Paid on Deposits.

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Capital and Surplus $300,000.

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Exchange Bought and Sold.

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Interest Paid on Deposits.

Capital $350,000. Surplus $140,000.

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Oliver P. Morgan, Vice-President.

James C. Woodworth, Ass't Cashier.

Commenced Business April 25, 1892.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

White National Bank

OF FORT WAYNE,

At Fort Wayne, in the State of Indiana, at the close of business, Dec. 2, 1899.

RESOUCES.

Loans and Discounts	$899,032 50
Overdrafts	2,620 85
U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds	54,500 00
Banking House	56,970 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	4,445 00
Stocks, Securities, etc.	1,628 44
Due from Banks	459,919 84
Cash on Hand	203,126 45
Due from United States Treasurer	2,250 00
	$1,684,493 08

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock Paid In	$200,000 00
Surplus	65,000 00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	11,050 96
National Bank Notes Outstanding	45,000 00
Deposits, Individual	1,172,213 59
Deposits, Banks	191,228 53
	$1,684,493 08

DIRECTORS.
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SABBATH SERVICES.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE HOURS OF DEVOTION IN THE CHURCHES OF FORT WAYNE.

GERMAN EVANGELICAL.

Grace church (German Evangelical), Gay and Pontiac streets—Rev. Miller, pastor. Sunday services at 10 a. m. and 2 p. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

First Church of Christ, Scientist. Services at 10:30 a. m. in Harmony hall, 20 West Berry street. Subject, "Christiain Science."

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA.

The Volunteers of America. The regular meetings will be held on Sunday at 3 and 7:30 p. m. Meetings every evening. Rev. M. C. Cooper, of the St. Paul's M. E. church, will speak on Tuesday evening, and the choir of the church will render music. Captain and Mrs. A. E. Simons are in charge.

GERMAN BAPTIST.

German Baptist church—The usual Lord's day services at Zelt's hall, corner Gay street and Creighton avenue. Sunday mission school at 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 10:45 a. m., by the pastor, J. Ahner. In the evening an entertainment will be given for the school, commencing at 7 o'clock. It will consist of speaking by the little folks and singing by everybody. Everybody is invited to this entertainment.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The services at Trinity Episcopal church tomorrow will be: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning service and sermon, 10:45 a. m.; coral and anthem service, 7:30 p. m.

Monday—Christmas day — Holy communion, 8 a. m. Morning service and holy communion, 10:45 a. m.

The music on Sunday evening and on Christmas morning will be of a special character, in charge of Mr. Charles Duncan Allen, late organist and choir master of St. Stephen's church, Washington, D. C.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION.

Bethel Evangelical church, corner DeWald and Clinton streets.—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; German preaching at 10:30 a. m. The Sunday school will give a Christmas entertainment at 7:30 p. m. The entertainment promises to be a good one. The program will consist of singing, declamations, etc.

Mid-week service prayer meeting, Wednesday and Thursday, at 7:30 p. m.

The public is invited to attend any or all of these services. J. H. Evans, pastor.

U. B. CHURCH.

Calvary U. B. church, J. W. Lake, patsor.—Sunday services: Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; Y. P. C. U., 6:30 p. m.; preaching services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting services Wednesday evening, led by Mrs. Rayl.

The Sunday school of Calvary U. B. church will render their Xmas cantata on Monday evening.

FREE METHODIST.

East Creighton avenue Free Methodist church—Services as follows: Love feast, beginning at 9:30 a. m., followed by preaching by Presiding Elder Rev. W. T. Loring; sermon followed by sacramental service. Sabbath school at 3 p. m.; Bible class taught by the pastor. Preaching at 7:30 p. m.; song service beginning at 7 p. m. P. Wilbur Botts, pastor.

The Free Methodists have a Sunday school entertainment on Wednesday evening, Dec. 27th, consisting of recitations, etc., all strictly religious.

BAPTIST CHURCHES.

Baptist Tabernacle.—At 10:45 Pastor Henson will preach a Christmas sermon. At night he will give the second illustrated sermon on The Old Testament. Special Christmas music at both services, under the direction of Prof. Rienzi Thomas.

The Young Men's Chorus class will meet on Thursday evening and will practice under the direction of Prof. Miles.

The recently oranized Boys' Brigade will meet on Friday evening.

Immanuel Baptist church, corner Clinton and Holman streets. Rev. S. H. Cain, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45. Dr. C. E. Heaton, superintendent; Mrs. M. F. Collins, teacher adult class. Sermon at 10:45 by the pastor. Subject, "Messiah Foretold." Subject at 7:30, "The Star of Bethlehem."

Wednesday evening, 7:30, prayer meeting.

On Tuesday evening at 7:30 there will be a Christmas entertainment in the church for the children. There will be a Christmas tree and a genuine Santa Claus will distribute the gifts. A program of songs, readings and recitations will be rendered by the children.

ENGLISH LUTHERAN.

The regular morning service at Trinity English Lutheran church, corner Wayne and Clinton streets; subject of sermon, "Thy Light is Come." In the evening at 7 o'clock the Sunday school will render a Christmas service, entitled, "The Light of Ages," commemorative of the nineteen centuries of the Christian era. The Christmas tree will also have its place on the program.

On Christmas morning, at 10:30, service and sermon on "The Gift of God's Son; the Proof of His Goodness, Mercy and Truth."

Mid-week meeting for the study of the Sunday school lesson Thursday, at 8 p. m.

Saturday, Dec. 30, at 9 a. m., the pastor's catechetical class for the ensuing year will be organized.

English Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, West Washington and Fulton streets.—Sunday school, 9:15 a. m.; services 10:30 a. m. text, Phil. 4:4-7, "The Lord is at Hand." No evening service.

Monday—Christmas service at 10:30 a. m. Children's service at 7 p. m. Full orchestra and organ accompaniment.

GRACE REFORMED.

Christmas at Grace Reformed church. Rev. A. K. Zartman, D. D., pastor. Sabbath services, 10:30 a. m.; sermon by the pastor, subject, "The Incarnation. The Lost Man," 7:30 p. m. Christmas song service and scripture reading for the congregation and Sabbath school, with a short address by the pastor. Topic, "The Babe of Bethlehem."

Christmas music—morning service:

Lo, He Comes, the Prince of Peace ....J. C. Bushey
Choir.
Hail the King ......W. H. Pontius
Choir.
Quartet for ladies' voices:
At Midnight ....Crosby
Evening service:
Chorus—"God Be Merciful"...... .... Emerson
Chorus—"Teach Me, O Lord".... .... Emerson
Duet—"Bethlehem" ....Jackson
Christmas Anthem ....C. M. Davis
Choir.

The Sunday school has been making extensive preparations for the entertainment which will be given in the church auditorium on Christmas (Monday) evening. The entertainment promises to be one of the very best the school has ever given. The decoration will be in keeping with the occasion. The Cantata consists of choruses, solos, duets, speaking, etc.

Heidelberg Reformed church. Rev. Dr. Spellman will preach at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

At the West Jefferson street Church of Christ special Christmas services will be held tomorrow at both the morning and evening hours. The sermons will deal with subjects appropriate to the occasion and the musical program will be of unusual attraction. Miss Drummond, the organist, has prepared several selections of special merit and Prof. Harshman and other members of the choir will render vocal solos. P. J. Rice, pastor.

Bulletin of the West Creighton avenue Church of Christ—Lord's day: Lord's day school, 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 10:30 a. m., subject of sermon, "Christmas Tidings;" and in the evening there will be Christmas exercises; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m.; topic, "Our Royal Brother;" leader, Miss Theresa Conrad.

Mid-week services: Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening; topic, "Balancing the Books," Rom. 14:17-13, and Rev. 20:12-15. Ladies' Aid society, Thursday afternoon, at the home of Brother Vining, on Cottage avenue; all the ladies are requested to be present.

Sunday evening, Dec. 24, a Christmas entertainment will be given, after which "Old Santa" will distribute from an "old-fashion Christmas tree" the candies and presents to the Sunday school scholars. Everyone is invited to put presents on the tree for their friends. A committee will be at the church both Saturday and Sunday afternoons to receive presents. Zach A. Harris, minister.

REFORMED CHURCHES.

Salem Reformed Church—Sunday school at 9:30; morning service at 10:30; Christmas entertainment by the Sunday school at 7:30; Christmas morning services will be held at 10:30; communion services in connection with this service. F. Ruhl, pastor.

St. John's German Reformed church, John H. Bosch, pastor—Sunda school at 9 a. m.; services at 10:15 a. m.; subject of sermon, "Christ Our King." At 7 p. m. there will be special Christmas services by the Sunday school. An appropriate and fine program will be rendered by the scholars of the Sunday school. Two large Christmas trees have been secured and they will be elaborately decorated. During the rendering of the program a special collection will be taken up for the Reformed Orphans' Home here in the city. All the members of the Sunday school have been provided with little envelopes, and these envelopes will be collected during the services, and in each envelope will be found a number of pennies corresponding to the number of years constituting the age of each member. This money also will be given to the Orphans' Home. At the close of the services all the members of the Sunday school will be treated to a box of fine candy Monday morning at 10 o'colck there will be special Christmas services of the congregation and in connection with these services Holy Communion will be administered. The subject of the sermon will be: "The Angels' Christmas Song." During these services a special collection will be taken up for the Mission House of the German Reformed church at Franklin, Wis. Wednesday evening meeting of the teachers of the Sunday school.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Berry street M. E. church, corner Harrison, C. C. Cissell, pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; sermon, 10:30 a. m., by Rev. F. T. Simpson, presiding elder, followed by the quarterly communion; Junior Epworth League, 2:30; Epworth League Devotional, 6:30. The Sunday school will render a Christmas service at 7:30. A special program has been prepared and special music for the occasion.

The third quarterly love feast for the conference year will occur Wednesday evening, December 27, 1899

Simpson M. E. church. Subject of the sermon at 10:30, "The Birth of Christ." At 7:30 the pastor will speak on "Ben Hur." At the conclusion of the morning service the members will pay their benevolent money.

On Monday evening the Sabbath school will give "Ben Hur" in eight acts for the Christmas entertainment, to this also we invite the public.

Trinity M. E. church, corner Fourth and Cass streets. The Christmas Sunday services will be as usual, with special services by the pastor, Sherman Powell, both morning and evening. Morning, "Isaiah's Annunciation." Evening, "The Significant Name." The choir will render special music both morning and evening. Sunday school at 9:30; Epworth League at 6:30. The Sunday school has prepared a specially interesting Christmas concert, which will be rendered on Monday evening at 7:30. This will be a rich treat. The program will be published in the Monday papers.

Services at Wayne street Methodist Episcopal church tomorrow, conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; communion at 10:30; classes at 12 m.; Junior League at 2:30 p. m.; Epworth League at 6:30; sermon at 7:30 by Rev. F. T. Simpson. Music conducted by Linden quartette.

Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7 o'clock.

St. Paul M. E. church. Rev. M. C. Cooper, pastor. Class meeting at 9:30; a Christmas sermon by the pastor at 10:30; Children's meeting at 2:15; Sunday school at 3 o'clock; Epworth League devotional meeting at 6:45 and evangelistic services at 7:30.

On Monday evening the Sunday school will give a Christmas entertainment and a treat will be furnished the children by the older people.

PRESBYTERIAN.

First Presbyterian church, Rev. D. W. Moffat, D. D., pastor—Public worship, with sermon, at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.; prayer meeting at 7:45 p. m. on Wednesday evening. On Sunday the new choir will sing and special music will be rendered. The themes Sunday will be appropriate for the day.

At Westminster church at 3 p. m., and not in the evening, as usual, there will be a Christmas musical service; address, "The Birth of Christianity." At 10:30 a. m. there has been prepared a special program for a children's Christmas service. There will be exercises by the children, under the direction of Mrs. Clarence Moore, and addresses by the pastor and Mrs. Bowman, superintendent of primary department. Mr. Chas. Bash, superintendent of Sunday school, will preside.

Third Presbyterian church, corner of Calhoun and Holman streets. Rev. J. A. P. McGaw, pastor—Morning service: Doxology; invocation; selection from the Psalter, "The Lord Reigneth;" hymn, "Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices?" Scripture lesson, Luke 2:1-20; anthem, "Come, Let Us Worship" (Gounod); prayer; anthem, "There Were Shepherds" (Alfred Gaul); hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful;" offertory, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Ashwall); sermon, "The Fullness of the Time;" hymn, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing;" prayer and benediction. In the evening a Christmas song service. The choir will sing the anthem, "Lo, a Star Shone in the East," and choir and congregation will sing Christmas hymns. These will be interspersed with appropriate selections from the scriptures and a short address by the pastor. Home Sunday school at 9:30 p. m.; Covenant Bible school at 2:45 p. m.; Christian Endeavor at 6:45 p. m.

A Christmas entertainment entitled, "An Old Time Christmas Party," will be given on Tuesday evening at 7:30, in which the Home Sunday school and the Covenant Bible school will join.

Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Bethany Presbyterian church—There will be no morning services. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:45 p. m.; evening services at 7:30, conducted by E. A. K. Hackett. Prayer meeting at 7:30 on Wednesday evening. The children of the Sunday school will have a Christmas entertainment in the church on Monday evening. The program will consist of music, readings, etc., and there will be other features.

GOSPEL TABERNACLE.

Gospel services at the Tabernacle, corner Clinton and Holman streets. Sabbath school at 2:30 p. m. D. W. Kerr and wife in charge.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception—Rt. Rev. Joseph Rademacher, D. D., bishop; Very Rev. John Guendling, V. G., pastor; Rev. J. H. Bathe, chancellor; Rev. John Durham, assistant; Rev. P. J. O'Reilly, assistant. Masses at 6, 8, 8:30 (children's services) and 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 3 p. m.

St. Patrick's, corner DeWald and Harrison—Rev. Joseph F. Delaney, pastor; Rev. Thomas Mungovan, assistant. Sunday services: Mass at 7:45 and 10:30 a. m.; children's mass at 9 a. m.; vespers, 3 p. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m.

St. Mary's (German), corner of Lafayette and Jefferson streets—Rev. John H. Oechtering, pastor; assistant, Rev. Gustave Hottenroth. Sunday services, 8 and 10 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m.

St. Paul's (German), corner West Washington and Griffith—Rev. F. J. H. Kroll, pastor. Services, 10 a. m. and 2 p. m.

St. Joseph's chapel (in connection with St. Joseph's hospital)—Rev. Thomas Eisenring, C. S. S., chaplain. Sunday services, 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.; weekly services, 8 a. m.

St. Peter's (German), corner East DeWald and Warsaw—Rev. Ferdinand Koerdt, pastor. Sunday services, 7:45 and 9:45 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m.

GERMAN LUTHERAN.

Emanuel Lutheran, West Jefferson street—Rev. C. Gross and Rev. Philip services, 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2:30 p. m.

St. Paul's, on Barr street—Rev. Jacob Miller, pastor. Sunday services, 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2:30 p. m.

Trinity, corner of Huffman and Oakland—Rev. J. A. Bohn, pastor. Sunday services, 10 a. m.; Sunday school, 2:30 p. m.

German Lutheran Zion's Congregational church, Creighton avenue and Hanna street—Rev. H. Chr. Luehr, pastor. Services, 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. Sundays.

ONLY PICTURESQUE IN PEACE.

Nothing in the military line is more gorgeous than a British guardsman in his shining cuirass and burnished helmet. One likes to picture them going into battle thus splendid. They don't do that sort of thing at all, however. In South Africa they wear cork helmets and khaki uniforms, for all the world like other troops.—New York Press.

THE PRESIDENTS ARE MODEST.

It is rather curious that while every president to whom the project of adding to the white house has been mentioned has been favorable to such a thing, not one has given his consent to the introduction of a bill for that purpose. President McKinley has just requested Senator Cullom to renounce his intention of fathering such a bill.—New York World.

FINE PROGRAM PREPARED

ALLEN COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN FORT WAYNE DECEMBER 27 TO 29.

Great preparations are being made for the annual gathering of Allen county Sunday school workers to be held in this city December 27, 28 and 29. The county convention is under the auspices of the county Sunday school association, and will bring together not only many of the best workers in Allen county, but also people prominent in other fields. Among the latter will be the state superintendent, C. D. Meigs, and W. A. Hillis, of Cleveland, O.

No one should fail to attend the convention, as every session will be full of interest and profit. The opening session on Wednesday evening, December 27, will be held at the Wayne Street M. E. church, and all succeeding sessions at the Baptist tabernacle. Following is

THE PROGRAM.

FIRST SESSION.

Wednesday Evening, Dec. 27, 1899, Wayne Street M. E. Church.

7:30—Song and Devotion..Dr M. A. Mason, Supt. Wayne Street S. S.
8:00—Bible Lesson..........................Mrs. Lem R. Hartman
8:15—"Sunday School Needs"...................Rev. T. J. Johnson

SECOND SESSION.

Thursday Forenoon, Dec. 28, 1899, Baptist Tabernacle.

9:30—Son and Devotion..............................D. W. Kerr
10:00—"The Child"............................Rev. J. S. Ainslie
10:20—"The Teacher"...........
Educationally ....Miss Gavin
Socially ....Mrs. Nettie Hubler
Morally ....Rev. J. H. Evans
10:50—"The Teachers' Meeting"..............Rev. A. K. Zartman
11:10—"Better Facilities"............................D. F. Bower
11:30—"House to House Visitation"..............Rev. L. L. Hehnen
11:50—Adjourn.

THIRD SESSION.

Primary Work.

2:00—Song and Devotion........................Mrs. J. W. Hayden
2:15—Object Lesson with Class..............Miss Gladys Williams
2:40—Illustrated Lesson Talk—J. W. Burns, Sec'y. R. R. Y. M. C. A.
3:10—Song ....Mrs. Miles
3:15—Kindergarten Work......................Mrs. Jas. S. Ainslie
3:45—Open Parliament..................................Miss Philley

FOURTH SESSION.

Friday Evening, Baptist Tabernacle.

7:30—Song and Devotion...........................E. C. Carrington
7:45—Solo ....Mr. Clint Wilson
7:50—Address ....C. D. Meigs, State Supt.

FIFTH SESSION.

Friday Forenoon, Dec. 29, 1899.

9:30—Song and Devotion................................C. C. Cissell
9:45—"The Home Class Department Aims"..........Rev. J. W. Lake
"How Started and Operated"....................Mrs. O. J. Bowser
"Effect on Main School"........................Dr. J. A. P. McGaw
10:15—"How Can We Bring About a More General Use of the Bible in Sunday School?".......................Rev. S. H. Cain
10:30—"Need of Special Efficiency in Teaching" ....Rev. J. F. Chenoweth
11:00—"What Does the Church Owe the Sunday School?"......... ....E. G. Anderson
11:20—Reports from Township Presidents.

SIXTH SESSION.

Friday Afternoon.

2:00—Song and Devotion..........................James E. Graham
2:15—"How Can the Township Presidents Help the Sunday School Work?" ....Levi Binkley
Discussion.
3:00—International Evangel and Awakener.
3:10—Question Box.
3:30—Report of Committee on Nominations.
3:40—Miscellaneous.

SEVENTH SESSION.

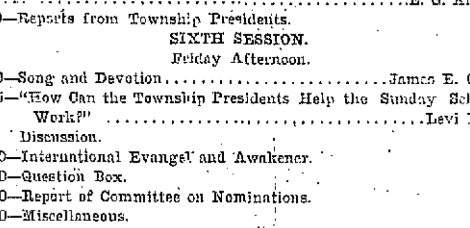
Friday Evening, Dec. 29.

7:30—Song and Devotion.......................Rev. J. H. Cochran
7:45—Reports from President and General Superintendent.
7:55—Duet...................................E. F. and Edith Yarnelle
8:00—Address ....W. A. Hillis, of Cleveland, O.

The Allen County Sunday School association is a representative body, covering every part of the county. It's motto is "Organization, Co-operation, Education, Evangelization," and into this work it brings the united efforts of Sunday school workers. The aims of the association are set forth in five specific objects, as follows: 1. A Sunday school within reach of every home in the county; 2. A working Sunday school organization in every township; 3. A convention in each township at least once a year; 4. The visitation of every house in each township to invite all to Sunday school and church; 5. The Bible in the hands of every man, woman and child in the county.

The officers of the county association are: E. A. K. Hackett, president; J. W. Van Buskirk, vice president; Miss Ida Garman, secretary; J. D. Gloyd, treasurer; Mrs. O. J. Bowser, superintendent Home Class Department; A. D. Craig, general superintendent.

It will require 50,000 enumerators to take the census of the United States in June next, for it must be completed by the first week of July. That means that about 75,000,000 people must be recorded in thirty days, or at the rate of 2,500,000 a day.



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No. 24 Atlantic Express.................. 6 46 p.m

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No. 4[illegible] Way Freight........	2 50 p.m
No. 4[illegible] Cin. Express and Mail......	10 [illegible] a.m
No. 410 Detroit and Ind'pls Express	[illegible]
NORTHWARD	DEPART
No. [illegible] Way Freight........	3 55 a.m
No. 4[illegible] Through Express & Mail ...	11 [illegible] a.m
No. 410 Detroit and Ind'pls Express	[illegible]

L. E. & W. TIME TABLE.

SOUTH.

No. 41 [illegible] (except Sunday) .... [illegible]
No. 42 daily .... [illegible]
No. 151 Local Freight .... [illegible]

NORTH.

No. 40 arrives daily .... [illegible]
No. 42 (daily except Sunday) .... [illegible]
No. 150 Local Freight .... [illegible]

Christmas Games.

Christmas brings its cheer and joy year after year to the little ones of the household, but the time comes when they are supposed to be grown up beyond the desire for the Christmas tree, with its rich fruit of surprises. One of the jolliest Christmas celebrations I ever knew was when the grown-up children had a Christmas tree. In a spirit of reminiscence, just before the holidays, the girls had been discussing the pleasures of bygone trees and lamenting that they were too old to have a tree, whereupon the mother declared that they should again be treated as children. In this household it had always been the custom to have a Christmas party of some kind, and so this year it was decided that there was also to be a genuine Christmas tree. The invitations were strictly informal and were asked as little children and told to bring a little gift to be placed on the tree, the price not to exceed two cents. It is needless to say there were no regrets sent and all entered most heartily into the spirit of the occasion. The tree was the handsomest spruce that could be found and towered to the ceiling, and its outspread branches nearly filled the library. Many of the ornaments used were those that had adorned Christmas trees in the childhood days and the many garlands of silver tinsel had been used in decorating at the silver wedding of the parents. English walnuts were carefully halved and inside each was a bright new penny of that year, fresh from the mint, on which was painted a red heart for good luck in love, and a little paper containing a wish or fortune for each one. Any book of quotations or sentiments for autographs will furnish these in abundance. This is a pretty one:

"Good luck, and may you never know
Aught else but joy where'er you go;
May health and wealth your steps attend,
And angels guard till life's end."

These nuts were closed and wrapped in tinfoil and tied to the tree with a silk thread, forming pretty ornaments until they were carefully pulled off by the merrymakers. As each guest came with a package, it was numbered and put into a bag. It was astonishing that the size of the package was no criterion of the size of the present. An old-fashioned dog knife was brought in a box sufficiently large to hold a bridal outfit, and was tied with a rope large enough to serve as a cable for a steamboat. At the appointed time a salver was passed, from which each guest took a number, and then Santa Claus, with a great jingle of bells came down the stairway and was greeted with hearty welcome.

Then the packages were drawn from the sack and distributed according to the numbers, but all were instructed not to open their prize until all had been drawn. Then there was fun, indeed. Later refreshments were served. The tree had been lighted at the advent of Santa Claus and fully displayed its rich growth of goodies. Bright yellow oranges and rosy apples in abundance hung from its boughs. Squares of pink, blue and white netting had been cut and an allowance of candy, nuts and raisins had been put in and tied in a round ball to hang on the tree. In the dining room a large punch bowl was filled with ice and in it were stacked bottles of soda water of all colors and flavors. Large dishes of balls of popcorn and delicious round doughnuts were also on the table. There were plates of tiny doughnut balls, in the center of which was a big, fat raisin. Salted almonds and peanuts, with olives, completed the menu. After the oranges and bags of candy had been taken from the tree, it was still beautiful with its garlands of popcorn, cranberries and paper rings.

It was a merry time, indeed, for all present. A king and queen of revels had been chosen and everything they decreed was done. The house was elaborately decorated with holly and mistletoe, and if a merry maiden was caught under the latter the penalty had to be paid in childhood's faith. The following day the tree had additional visitors in a bevy of little blackbirds of all sizes, gathered up by the family laundress, from the baby in arms to the ten-year-old, and as they gazed with big-eyed wonder at the beautiful tree their happiness was increased by the present of a big popcorn ball and a bag of candy.

A charming way to give presents when only the family is present is to have the distribution Christmas eve, so that a good nap may be safely counted on for Christmas morning. Each present is carefully wrapped and marked. The print shop is freely drawn on for all colors of poster paper, so that the color is often an incentive to rhyme. With each present is a little sentiment after the jingle method. For instance, with a charming piece of underwear was this:

"Here's a dainty confection of lawn ribbon and lace,
As sweet and pretty as your own dear face."

With a copy of the Stuart baby was:

"Here's a little Dutch baby, so quaint and so fat;
Say, my cousin, what do you think of that?"

The little family dog was not forgotten, as was evidenced by the new collar and verse:

"Tinkling bells and ribbon red,
Slip this over Dudie's head."

A pair of slippers was separately wrapped in yellow and pink and each one had a verse:

"Where you find me wrapped in yellow,
You will say, oh! where's my fellow?"

And the pink wrapped one contained this:

"When you find me wrapped in pink,
It will surely make you think,
As sure as fate,
There is a mate."

It is astonishing, when the jingle machine is started, how readily the nonsense rhymes run out. When everything was ready, the presents were heaped in a large clothes basket and everybody was seated on the floor around it. Dignity flew to the winds and all are merry children as each reaches for a package. The name of the owner is read and it is passed over. Sometimes one waits a long time for his own things, as each one is passed to its rightful owner. Then when the bottom of the basket is reached all the packages are opened and all rejoice that every expressed or fancied wish has been gratified. After all, we should remember that the true spirit of Christmas is to remember to make others happy, and in so doing we add to our own happiness. There is a little verse that embodies the true idea of Christmas:

"I am no child, yet still I love
Above all saints old Santa Claus,
For he has simmered down to one
The countless ages' many laws.
'Do good,' is all his Testament;
'Be good,' is all that he commands.
He fills the stockings with the seeds
And leaves the fruit to human hands."

To do good is to be good and with this comes a good conscience and contentment, which means happiness.

SKETCH OF MRS. EDDY.

"The Founder of Christian Science" is the title of an interesting and timely article in the November number of the New England Magazine, by Henrietta H. Williams.

Rev. Mary Baker Eddy, discoverer and founder of Christian Science, author of the denominational text book, "Science and Health With Key to the Scriptures," and the acknowledged spiritual adviser of a very large and growing body of intelligent Christian men and women, is a woman whose history is intensely interesting to thoughtful people of all shades of opinion. In a little more than a quarter of a century this gifted woman has established a church with thriving branches all over the world and converted to her ideas of practical Christianity hundreds of thousands of people.

This excellent article reveals the leader of the Christian Science movement in a way that is new to most readers, for she is seen in the friendly setting of her New England home, among the hills of New Hampshire where she was born and reared and where she still loves to dwell in the busy retirement of "Pleasant View," in the suburbs of Concord.

Mrs. Williams has evidently been faithful in gleaning the facts in regard to the life of Mrs. Eddy, for she relates some incidents never before published, of the home life and training of the now famous woman, which show how her experience prepared her for the work she has accomplished. The article is illustrated with twenty-five half-tone engravings, which add greatly to its value in history. Some of the scenes of Mrs. Eddy's childhood are particularly interesting to students of Christian Science. During the era of church building begun by the Christian Scientists five or six years ago, they have erected many beautiful edifices in the leading cities of the country. A few of the more costly of these are represented in the illustrations.

PATRIOTIC KEY WEST.

Protests have been received from Key West against the removal of the bodies of several Maine victims buried there, the navy department has decided not to disturb them. Those buried in Havana, however, numbering 160, will be brought home on the Texas.—Army and Navy Journal.

It has been found that the pain caused by the sting of nettles is due partly to formic acid and partly to a chemical resembling snake poison. Our nettles are comparatively harmless, but in India, Java and elsewhere there are varieties the painful effect of whose sting lasts for weeks.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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A PLEA FOR THE BOERS.

By Dr. W. J. Leyds, the European Agent of the Transvaal.

The Transvaal Republic has been forced into an unjust war. My countrymen have an innate horror of war. I had hoped that the enemies of my country would at least spare her from outrage and calumny, and that they would venerate in our illustrious president the virtues of the people of whom he is the chief. I was woefully deceived. Chamberlain attacks our liberty, Stanley our honor.

Stanley has explored central Africa. He also pretended to know the Transvaal thoroughly. He declares that he will not state anything of which he is not sure and which might be contradicted. We will see.

In the first place, Stanley has only made one journey to Pretoria. He stopped for five or six days in Johannesburg, which in reality is not a Transvaal town, but rather a city of cosmopolitan speculators. There he only met friends of Cecil Rhodes and Jameson. Hence the information he received was not very trustworthy.

I need but mention a few of Stanley's calumnies to convince you of the lack of veracity in his assertions I will not dwell on the infamous epithet of "Old Chimpanzee" he applied to our illustrious president.

Stanley says our peasants are strangers to soap. All who have visited the Transvaal farms praise the scrupulous cleanliness, characteristic of the Dutch, encountered everywhere.

Our many soap factories do not depend on Kaffirs and Uitlanders for patrons. Stanley claims that this very necessary commodity is prodigiously expensive in the Transvaal—sixty cents apiece. The official tariff quotes washing soap at 6 cents a pound, and toilet soap at 10 cents You can't buy soap for that in the English factories. He makes a similarly false statement regarding matches, for which we pay in the Transvaal 3 cents per box, while in England and other countries they are sold for 5 and 10 cents per box. In contradiction to Mr. Stanley's affirmations I say that I have never seen a peasant Boer make use of a flint to light his pipe.

Stanley reproaches us for not having taxed coffee because the Boers consume such immense quantities of this article. Our tariff shows that coffee is taxed 7 per cent. ad valorem, like other alimentary articles. I mention these minor matters so you may judge the more important allegations.

Among these allegations is the one which claims that President Kruger's fortune owes its origin to the Transvaal monopolies. The accusation is a ridiculous one. All concessions to the monopolists were given by the volksraad. President Kruger had nothing to do with them. Whatever revenue was imposed by the volksraad went into the public treasury The chief executive of the Transvaal Republic is scrupulously honest. And his popularity with the Dutch in South Africa is mainly due to this most excellent virtue. All Kruger's fortune was made by farming. From a small beginning he evolved into a wealthy land owner. His riches were made by the renting out and selling of farms all over the South African Republics.

The Boers were represented to the civilized world by Stanley as a semi-savage race, as brutes, who can neither read or write. I have no patience with this man. I will not go into details regarding this false statement. I need only to mention the fact that Boer children cannot enter the communion of the church unless they are able to read and write. No parent would bear the shame of raising boys and girls outside of the church. There is a newspaper in every hamlet. These, also, are not printed for Kaffirs and uitlanders.

Stanley's allegations that all languages but the Dutch are prohibited in the public schools has been thoroughly refuted.

Stanley has the effrontery to lay the alleged crimes of the few individuals to the whole nation. He says that a Boer killed an Englishwoman on the highway, seeking to imply that the Boers do not respect women. The Hollanders and their kin, the Boers, are noted for their kind treatment of their wives and children, and for the beauty of their home life. They are a hardy set, but affectionate and chivalrous.

Stanley, the chief of the great philanthropic (?) British expeditions in central Africa, accuses us of cruelty to the Kaffirs. I will admit that we have employed rigorous measures toward the Kaffirs, but these were necessary for self-protection, and they were tempered by a paternal application of the law. But these measures are not murderous like the massacre of the blacks in Rhodesia, where the British blew up a cavern with dynamite in which the unfortunate natives had taken refuge.

Mr. Chamberlain used other tactics to precipitate hostilities. He represented us simply as traitors to the British crown, as rebellious vassals. This theme inspired the British diplomacy and that of Mr. Milner. It made many dupes in England and Cape Colony and even on the European continent. I am intrusted with documents open to inspection by the courts and the press of Europe, which prove conclusively that the Transvaal has been recognized since 1884 as an absolutely independent state by the English government. Great Britain can no more claim suzerainty over us than France or Germany.

We have our diplomatic representatives in every land, and even in England. Our consul general at London received his conge from Queen Victoria, and, vice versa, England's consul in Pretoria from President Kruger. Are these the relations of a vassal state and a suzeraine power?

I reiterate that greed for gold and imperial conditions have caused civilized England to relapse into a barbarian power that raises war without any other motive than of spoils.

The world may rest assured that as long as a single burgher remains live in the South African Republic the war will not be ended. We are ready for peace on an honorable basis. While battling and shedding our blood we are willing to listen to any honorable propositions, but we will resist injustice both on English and Transvaal territory until the last man has breathed his last on the battlefield. To escape the enslavement of the English our ancestors took refuge beyond the Orange river, and afterward retreated beyond the Vaal. In that little land where we are confined we only ask for peace and independence. We will defend ourselves and the principles for which we fight to the death.

Thus far fortune has favored us, and it appears from the history of the war that God is with our arms.

PORTUGUESE MONEY.

On landing at Oporto, about the first thing you do is to seek a money-changer's establishment (there are several along the quay) and get your American greenbacks converted into Portuguese coin with which to pay porters' fees, carriage hire and other incidentals. You hand out $10 as a starter, and are amazed at the amount of metal—copper, iron, brass and nickel—which is piled upon the counter in return. It looks like old junk—stove lids, pewter plates and the brass tags which landlords attach to their door keys to prevent them from being carried off in the pockets of their patrons. If $10 is such an "embarrassment of riches," it would surely require a cart to get away with a hundred.

In the financial numeration of Portugal 1,000 reis represent what we call a "quarter." The word "reis" is the plural of real, and the latter unit of the monetary system equals one-twentieth of the American penny Fortunately there is no such coin, the smallest being ten reis. The pieces in greatest circulation are a nickel of 200 reis, which answers for our five-cent piece; another nickel of 100 ries, and a copper coin of forty reis.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

IDOL FULFILLED THE LEGEND.

Mystics will be interested in the discovery that Mme. Carnot, the widow of the assassinated president of France, in her will has left a request to her children to rid themselves of a certain Hindoo idol which was in her possession. This idol—a little one, of stone curiously carved, as are most of these objects—was presented to Carnot by a learned friend on his return from India. Carnot then was merely minister of finance, and did not expect to attain the presidency. The friend warned Carnot that the legend connected with the idol was that it assured supreme power to its owner, and also that the owner would die a violent death by the knife. It had belonged to the dynasty of the kings of Khadjuraa, and the last rajah, having arrived at power by its means and fearing the dagger, sought to conjure death by giving it away. Interested by this story, Mme. Carnot accepted the little fetish with pleasure. Mr. Carnot attained the presidency, and Mme. Carnot wrote at the time to the friend in India that it was "all due to the fetish." Carnot died by the knife.—New York Press.

"A notable sign of the advance of opinion," says the New York Evening Post, "is found in the fact that Padre-Agostino, the most popular preacher today in Italy (where cruelty to animals is still often excused on the plea that dumb things have no souls), is now advocating the rights of animals from the pulpit."

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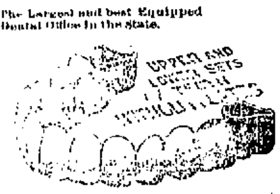

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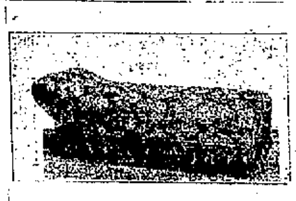

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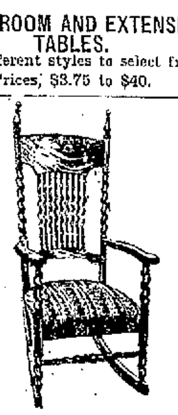

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WILL HEAL THE LEPERS.

ACCOUNT OF THE TUA TUA PLANT UNCLE SAM IS DISTRIBUTING AMONG HIS LEPER SUBJECTS.

(Regular Correspondence.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Uncle Sam's 1073 leper subjects in Hawaii will shortly be delivered from their terrible bondage and pitiable isolation through aid of a medicinal shrub just discovered in Venezuela.

This is the prophecy of a number of men who have already studied successful applications of the wonderful plant for the cure of the disease more dreaded by human beings since early Bible times.

The government authorities will proceed straightway to make a thorough test of the new leper cure. Two dozens of the newly found plants have arrived at the Hawaiian agricultural experiment station, where they will be carefully propagated and multiplied, and whence fresh seedings will be distributed in our leper island Molokai and probably in Guam. Surgeon D. A. Carmichael, now representing our marine hospital service in Hawaii, has been sent a half dozen bottles of liquid preparations made from this plant for immediate tests.

Yesterday Mr. F. V. Coville, chief botanist of the department of agriculture, gave me permission to publish for the first time the details of the new discovery and of the proposed experiments.

The plant is commonly called "Tua Tua" by the natives of Venezuela, but has been scientifically classified as Jatropha gossypifolla. Among some Venezuelans it is known as "Frailojon" or "Purgo." It grows from one to two yards in height, and thrive upon dry, sandy soil, mixed with clay, in the valleys of Venezuela. The leaves and stems are of a beautiful purple, as are the blossoms, while in bloom. It bears fruit in the form of small capsules, a third of an inch in diameter, covered with fuzzy, velvety hair, and each containing three seeds producing a strong oil, as do also the leaves. The latter, much like those of cotton, are covered with minute hair extending to the leaf stems. At the end of each hair is a small gland. I was permitted to examine an excellent specimen of Tua Tua lately installed in one of the hothouses of the department of agriculture and selected from a box of three dozen plants received from Venezuela. Apart from the two dozen shipped to Hawaii, other plants were sent to the botanical gardens and the white house conservatory, where they are prized because of their great beauty.

In the event that Tua Tua cures our lepers the credit for its introduction to our authorities will be due to E. H. Plumacher, our consul at Maracaibo, Venezuela. His recent discovery of the plant through a devout Romanist priest of Venezuela makes an interesting story. This priest, Father A. Valderrama, has a nephew who became a leper four years ago. He contracted the disease as a result of a few nights' stay at the house of another leper. The young man's ailment did not develop alarming symptoms until three years ago, when his face became covered with tubercles, spreading to his back and hands. Medicines of various kinds were applied, but with futility. Increased symptoms gave the unfortunate victim the dreaded warning that he must forever isolate himself from his wife and his loved ones. Before such arrangements could be perfected he was seized by a drunken magistrate and thrown into prison. After securing his nephew's release, Father Valderrama wandered about with him in search of cures, but his efforts were frustrated by fears of prosecution. Events continued from bad to worse, until the faithful priest, at the end of a year or more, was called to confess an old man known in his community to have suffered from leprosy for twenty years. It was through the sacred business performed at the house of this leper that the Tua Tua plant became known to the outside world. The old leper related to his confessor how he was being cured of his torment and exhibited his healing sores. His words to the priest are requoted in the consul's report to the agricultural department: "The ulcers on my elbows, which have tormented me for fifteen years," said he, "are now healed. My chest—you can see how well it is. Blessed be the Lord. This I owe to an herb called Tua Tua, found in abundance around here."

Learning with joy the details of the old leper's application of Tua Tua, the priest immediately rented a small house in the neighborhood and commenced operations upon his nephew. He began by administering, internally, two ounces of the raw juice of the plant, diluted in water. His patient immediately lost his livid color and some of the tubercles visibly diminished. After eight days the dose was repeated and increased improvement was noted. Soon afterwards two ounces of the pure juice were used. After causing cramps, contortions and abundant ulcerations and itchings for a day and a half, the tubercles further diminished in size. The fourth day after this last application many disappeared, while the others were reduced to the size of mere pimples. The hardened flesh recovered its softness and natural color and, later, the whole aspect of the young man became that of a healthy person. At the time the priest's report closed, the older leper was fast recovering.

Consul Plumacher reported also the case of a leprous carpenter in the neighborhood who, after hearing of the Tua Tua plant, prepared a severe dose of four ounces and drank it pure. The effect of the dose was horrible, but after its repretition he was soon able to return to his work, although his disease had previously ulcerated his stomach, eaten off his nails and deprived his hands of their sensibility.

The virtues of Tua Tua have already become so well recognized in Venezuela that a chemist of Maracaibo has commenced the preparation of two forms of leprosy cure therefrom. One of these is the fluid extract of the juice prepared according to Father Valderrama's formula, while the other is a syrup containing epsom salts, sarsaparilla, sugar and other ingredients mixed with generous proportions of Tua Tua. Three bottles of each medicine thus prepared were sent to Hawaii with the plants.

Mr. Chesnut, one of the botanical specialists of the agricultural department, after examinig specimens of Tua Tua, finds that it is not confined to Venezuela, but is widely distributed in South and Central America and in the West Indies. It has been previously known to him as an antidote for manchineel, a West Indian plant very poisonous to the touch. Its value for various purposes other than the cure of leprosy has been known to the natives of South America for some time. It is their populaar superstition that the leaves, when plucked upwards, are valuable as an emetic, downward as a purative. They apply the leaf also as a poultice or plaster for broken limbs. A decoction made therefrom is used in small doses as a diuretic, while a milky liquid produced from the bark is found valuable as a means of poisoning dogs.

Surgeon General Walter Wyman, of the marine hospital service, who has collected from the department of agriculture all avaialable literature upon the Tua Tua plant and sent it to Hawaii, yesterday showed me a report lately received from Dr. Carmichael, who will carry on the work of experimenting with Tua Tua in the islands. Dr. Carmichael adds what is as yet the most damaging link in the chain of evidence being forged around the mosquito to prove that that individual is a dire propagator of disease. He reports that Dr. Alvarez, the leprologist of the Hawaiian government, after allowing mosquitoes to feast themselves upon the open sores of lepers, has captured them, killed them and lately discovered that stained preparations made from their crushed bodies contain leprous bacilli in large quantities. Dr. Carmichael believes that investigation will further prove that the housefly, bedbug and other pestiverous insects play a considerable part in the transmission of leprosy.

The experiment with the new plant having given satisfactory results in Hawaii, it will probably be introduced into Guam, our new isle further west. Recent advices from Guam are to the effect that leprosy is plentiful there and that no precautions are taken against it. Lepers live there in the same houses with healthy persons.

While Tua Tua is being tested in the Pacific islands, a no less interesting series of experiments will be at the same time progressing in our new territory at Porto Rico with another plant recommended to Uncle Sam about the same time as was the former.

Mr. Chesnut, the botanist above mentioned, recently had his attention called to this other plant by Mr. P. Guichard, a chemist, of Key West. The observations of the latter are viewed as sufficiently promising to warrant Uncle Sam's conducting a thorough test. The matter has been recommended to Chief Surgeon Hoff, in charge of the medical department of Porto Rico, and he has consented to begin the experiments as soon as fifteen lepers under his charge shall have been permanently isolated upon one of the islands adjacent to his territory.

When Mr. Guichard, the Key West chemist, was lately traveling in Cuba, he made observations which led him to firmly believe that the bark of the red mangrove bush could be applied as an efficient cure for leprosy. Returning to Key West, he brought the matter to the attention of a practicing physician and a number of interesting tests were immediately made. They macerated a half ounce of the bark for twelve hours in six ounces of water and administered it in three doses during each day of the treatment. They also compounded the beneficial ingredients into pills and into salve.

A barber, twenty-two years old, who had been a leper four years, was tormented by thousands of sores when discovered. Having been ostracized from society, he closed his business and contemplated suicide. After daily treatments with the mangrove bark for eight months, the sores disappeared, the face recovered his healthy color, and the mustache, previously destroyed, again grew out. Four months later the barber was pronounced cured and reopened his shop.

A boy of twelve, after having been a leper seven years, was similarly cured and regained his teeth and eyebrows. A man of twenty-three whose disease had brought him to the verge of idiocy, who was confined to a chair, and who had lost two fingers and two toes, went about his occupation after a year's treatment. A woman leper in New Orleans was restored to health by the same treatment. In his report to Mr. Chesnut the Key West chemist gives names of the patients thus benefited, having gained their consent as an aid to science. They will, of course, be confidentially kept from the public. Inasmuch as the remedy is easily obtained from the raw bark of the tree, there is no sinister motive in the report of the observations to the department.

The red mangrove, known in scientific jargon as "Rhibaphorn mangle," is a small tree abundant along the seashores of the West Indies and of Florida. Surgeon Hoff reports to Mr. Chesnut that a swamp directly contiguous to our new leper island off Porto Rico is fortunately abundant with the plant.

BEARDED LADY'S ADVENTURES

Rosie Davis, a bearded lady now in Chicago waiting to fill an engagement with a circus, got lost the other night while out walking in Lakeview and not desiring to be conspicuous, went to the back door of a house to inquire her way. The result was a great fright on the part of the people who lived in the house, three women going into hysterics and a man running out the front door in search of the police. The bearded lady fled and tried another house, at which her appearance caused a woman to faint. By this time the police arrived with a patrol wagon and the free exhibition for which people generally pay to see was suppressed.

A CURIOUS WRECK.

A curious accident took place at Brookfield, Ind. A local freight train was backed into a siding to allow a fast freight train to pass. The switch was left open, however, and the fast freight, traveling at the rate of thirty miles an hour, dashed into it. The crews of both trains jumped. The impact of the collision was so severe as to drive the tender of the stationary engine off its trucks and telescoping a cattle car, which was loaded with coal, it rested half on the top of the third car. On the fast freight a car loaded with hogs was telescoped by one with shelled corn and the animals not killed in the collision were smothered by the corn. It is said that the locomotives are so interlocked that dynamite will be required to separate them.

GASOLINE DRUNKARDS.

The Philadelphia Ledger says gasoline drunkards are becoming common among small boys in the vicinity of North Penn village, and the district known as "Swamppoodle." For some time the police have been mystified by finding youngsters fast asleep in a semi-conscious condition stowed away in vacant houses, woodsheds and brickyards. It was finally discovered that the boys had become beastly drunk from inhaling the fumes of gasoline and some of them have developed into juvenile debauchees. On Sunday, while patroling his beat, a policeman discovered a youngster mounted on a gasoline lamp post. The boy had a large sponge and was obtaining the material for a Sunday spree.

OLD ENGLISH PLAYS.

A number of rare first editions of old English plays performed during the reigns of the Stuart kings were sold by auction the other day in London. Among other lots was the MS. of a comedy, unpublished, entitled, "The Cure of a Pride; or, Every One in Their Way." It is written on forty-six leaves, and is probably the work of a cotemporary of Ben Johnson and Shakespeare.—New York Times.

ONE WOMAN'S SUCCESS

Conspicuous among women who have attained success in the business world of Chicago is Miss Ida Harned, a clever insurance writer. She is recently in receipt of an international medal from her company for having written more insurance during the month of June than any other agent in the world. Miss Harned is a little black-eyed woman, about twenty-three years old, but with a wide business experience and shrewdness much beyond her years. She was advised, says the Chicago Inter Ocean, upon her first venture in the insurance world to attempt only small business with women, such as teachers and stenographers.

But the suggestion was not acted upon; she immediately began working upon large cases, millionnires and persons of note whom men hesitated to approach. It was uphill work at first, but what made it more trying, the older agents laughed at her in a good-natured, patronizing way and dubbed her "Little Harned." Now they would be glad to share a per cent. of Little Harned's commissions.

In the matter of tact she can outwit many men. One of her recent successful experiences is a fair sample of her methods. A wealthy southerner from Birmingham, Ala., was recently one of a luncheon party where she was. Not being accustomed to women in business, he was consumed with curiosity to hear her talk shop, while she was speculating how, when and where she could write him a policy.

"How long have you been in the insurance business?" he asked.

"This soup is delicious," she smiled at the girl on the other side of the table.

"Well, I'm fifty years old," continued the man, "and I've never had any insurance yet."

"Fifty years old," was Miss Harned's mental comment. But she talked everything but insurance. When the colonel from Alabama called at her neat little office the next morning to pay his respects and say good-bye before leaving town and incidentally to hear her talk business, he was fairly staggered to see her pull out the slide of her desk and place upon it an application for insurance filled out for himself. "How much insurance did you say you wanted?" she inquired gravely.

"Not a cent, not a cent," he puffed growing red in the face.

"Just sign your name there, then," said the girl, "we'll leave it $20,000; here's a pen; right here," and, gasping with astonishment at himself and at her, he did as he was told. Then he heard a woman talk business; he learned what a favor this little agent had conferred upon him by increasing his estate so many thousand dollars; he learned how she had befriended his wife and what a load she had removed from his own mind in case of sudden death, and finally she left him to the tender mercies of a physician, who assured him of good health and a long life.

During a recent banquet made up of prominent insurance people Miss Harned was challeged by one of the most successful men present to a six months' contest for volume of businesss. There is much speculation as to the outcome, but the majority are confident of Miss Harned's success.

A convent education was the girl's only preparation for a battle with the world, when at the age of twenty she was thrown, an orphan, on her own resources. Naturally ambitious, the small salaries paid and long hours of a clerk's life repelled her, as did stenography and like avenues open to women. The real estate business she finally decided was a broad field for her energies and she rented desk room in a Chicago office. She had cleared $500 in ten days on a sale of southern land. Her success continued and she finally decided to locate in La Salle, Ill., where she could have an office of her own. While there an insurance agent who sought to insure her life ended by persuading her to insure others. That was a red letter day in her life, for since then she has known success to the fullest extent; not as women in business know it, but from the standpoint of the successful business man.

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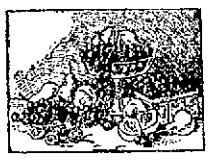

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A NIGHT AT THE PLAY.

"THE ROYAL BOX.

The Temple attraction for Christmas, commencing with a matinee, will be Charles Coghlan's powerful drama, "The Royal Box." The play will be presented by Andrew Robson and Miss Gertrude Coghlan, with the original supporting company that produced it in New York last season. The elaborate scenery, costumes and effects used during the long run in

GERTRUDE COGHLAN,
Celia Pryce in "The Royal Box."

the metropolis are carried by the company in their entirety and it is promised that the production will be in every respect as complete and perfect in detail as that which delighted eastern theater-goers.

The play is founded on Alexander Dumas' famous play of "Kean," which was produced in 1836. Since that time "Kean" has had many presentations in Europe and about ten years ago was played in this country by a noted German tragedian, who made it a part of his repertoire. Mr. Charles Coghlan took this old play as his inspiration in writing "The Royal Box." The scenes are all laid in London and the time of action is the year 1810. The principal characters in the story are Clarence, the actor, the prince of Wales, who afterwards became regent, and George IV important diplomats, ladies of the court, actors, constables and mountebanks. The plot and the story are very novel. The play is given the title from an incident in the fourth act, where Clarence, while playing Romeo in the balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet," denounces the prince of Wales from the stage as he sits in the royal box.

"A YOUNG WIFE."

The "A Young Wife" company that will be presented here on Wednesday, Dec. 27, contains some of the best people in the dramatic profession. Among them is Emmett C. King, who was the leading man of the Murray Hill theater, New York, last season; Malcolm Williams, leading man of a stock company in St. Louis; John L. Wooderson, last season stage manager and one of the principal actors of Stuart Robson's company; Neil Florence, who has starred in several melodramatic companies; Horace Newman, Frank Sheridan, James J. DeBarre, also important members of the theatrical profession. Miss Selma Herman, the leading lady, was a star for two seasons and appeared here last season in Brady's stock company; also several others, including Sydney Cowell, an old-time actress.

"OLIVER GOLDSMITH."

In "Oliver Goldsmith," the new Augustus Thomas costume comedy presented for the first time on any stage at Albany, N. Y., on Thanksgiving day, and which comes to the Temple next Thursday, Stuart Robson is credited with one of the most decisive hits of his long and honorable career. Mr. Robson does not, however, claim all the credit of the big successes achieved in "Oliver Goldsmith," and the comedian may well be pardoned for describing his clever support as an "all star" cast. The role of Garick, which is in the hands of Henry E. Dixey, is said to be one of the best things this graceful actor has ever attempted, and the impersonation by him of that celebrated English player, who was one of Goldsmith's boon companions, could not possibly receive better treatment, it is said, while the Dr. Johnson of Henry A. Weaver; the Edmund Burke of Walter Hale; the Boswell of Beaumont Smith; the Mary Horneck of Miss Florence Rockwell, and the Mrs. Featherstone of Jeffreys Lewis add greatly to the most finished performances of any comedy presented on the American stage in the last decade.

"UNCLE SETH" COMING.

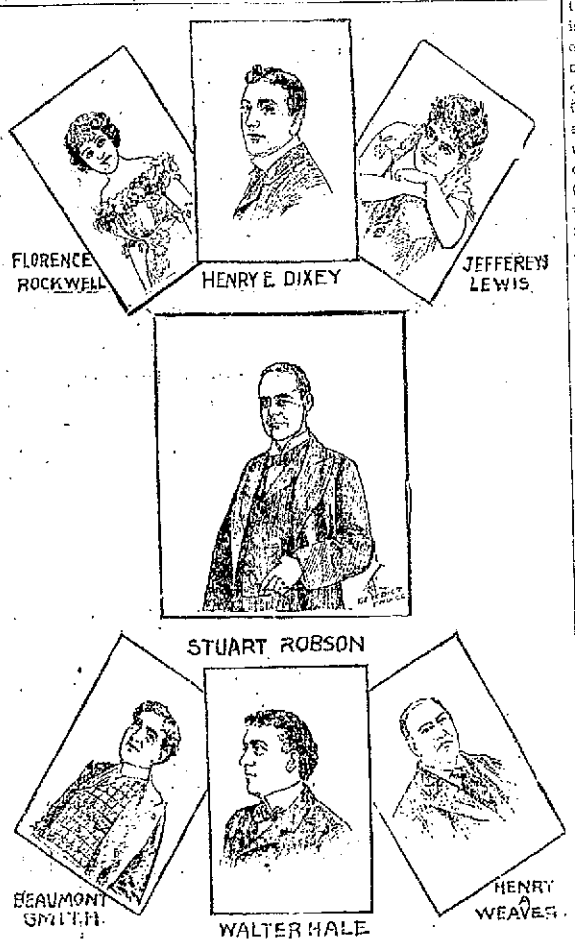
The New England home has always been a favorite theme with novelists and dramatists and since the success of Denman Thompson in "The Old Homestead" a number of stage productions showing life in New England have been presented. But none have gained recognition so quick or have been received with so much enthusiasm as "Uncle Seth Haskins," which will be presented at the Temple December 29 and 30.

"UNDER THE RED ROBE."

The announcement will no doubt be read with pleasure that the great Empire theater success from New York city, which had a long run in New York, will be the attraction on New Year's matinee and night. This will positively be the only visit here of the company playing this vigorous romantic drama, a fact which will no doubt be taken advantage of by local theater-goers.

"THE HEART OF MARYLAND."

No play, either spectacular, historic, emotional or melodramatic in its nature, has ever made such a lasting impression upon its audiences wherever it has been presented or achieved so brilliant a popular success as David Belasco's "The Heart of Maryland." A greater dramatic work has yet to be written. It has returned to us twice; its third and last visit will occur on Thursday night, Jan. 4th, at the Temple.



WEALTHY STATESMEN.

Senators and Representatives Who Are Millionaires.

[Regular Correspondence.]

Washington, Dec. 21.—There are but few members of either house of congress who can be said to have made their millions. Not a single southern senator or representative is to be named in the list, although friends of Representative Hawley, of Texas, say that with his present wealth, and his recent vast investments in Cuba, he gives fair promises of breaking the record. New England, with its long history of wonderful thrift, and factoring and trading, furnishes a larger roster for the millionaire class than any other similar area of the republic.

Senator Hale, with his own wealth, and that which was added by his marriage with a daughter of the late Senator Chandler, of Michigan, is a multi-millionaire. Senator Proctor, the tall and sturdy Vermonter, has made millions from his marble quarries, and by innumerable other investments. Representative Sprague, of Massachusetts, very wealthy himself, may be said to be the greatest millionaire in the house, if his wife's riches be counted with his own, as Mrs. Sprague is said to be worth nearly a score of millions in her own right. Senator Henry Cabot Lodge is possessed of more than a comfortable competence, but it is doubtful if he can count quite a million.

Representative Weymouth, of the Fitchburg (Mass.) district, comes easily within the millionaire mark, with his great banking, railway and manufacturing interests. Representative Lovering, of Massachusetts, is also a millionaire manufacturer. Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, has won his million mostly in manufacturing; and his colleague, Wetmore, who has been twice governor of Little Rhody, is also said to be worthy of a place in the list of millionaires. Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, as is well known, has made millions in manufacturing and railroad pursuits. Senator Kean, his colleague, who has just taken his seat in the senate, is also in the millionaire class, he having so many investments that he can hardly enumerate them.

Of coure, both New York senators, Platt and Depew, are well known to be millionaires, Depew in railroads and Platt in banking, lumbering and various mercantile pursuits. For a great state like New York there are few millionaires among its members in the house. Two, William Astor Chanler and Jefferson M. Levy, come from New York City, the former inheriting most of his wealth, and the latter winning his millions in mercantile ventures.

CONNELL AND SIBLEY.

The senator from Pennsylvania is not in the millionnaire class, but the state furnishes two millionaires to the house, Connell and Sibley. It is doubtful if there is another man of great wealth in either branch of congress whose record will compare with, that of William Connell, of Scranton, in the persistent, methodical acquirement of riches, always tempering his successes with generous and liberal treatment of all who are associated with him, and always willing to assist those deserving of assistance. He started in life driving a mule in a mine, and now owns the mines where he worked as mule driver, foreman and general manager. He is now probably the largest individual coal operator in the great anthracite region, and it is said his wealth reaches nearly a score of millions. He is by far the richest member of the house whose riches have been won by his own effort. Loyal to the republican party, he has, to a great extent, avoided a part in the fierce factional quarrels of the Pennsylvania republicans, and is prominently talked of as a candidate for governor in the near future, as one upon whom all factions could unite.

Mr. Sibley has acquired most of his wealth through investments in oil producing and manufacturing, and he is worth many millions. Apart from this he is an investor in many profitable businesses, but his keenest delight is in the breeding and driving of blooded horses, in connection with his partner, General Miller. These two gentlemen have breeding farms and driving tracks, both at Meadville and Franklin, in Crawford and Venango counties, the one place being in one congressional district and the other in another. Mr. Sibley resides in Franklin, but when he concluded to stand for the Fifty-third congress in the Crawford-Erie district, he reversed the usual republican majority and was elected. In his election to this congress he defeated W. C. Stone, in another strong republican district, though Stone had been elected successively three preceding congresses.

HANNA'S BIG PILE.

With the single exception of the new senator from Montana, it is probable that Marcus Alonzo Hanna, junior senator from Ohio, is the richest member of the senate. In railroading, mining, banking and the lake-carrying trade, he does a business that is colossal. It is said that even he cannot place his wealth at any particular figure, but his friends estimate him to be worth at least $50,000,000. In the senate Hanna has developed into a very forcible speaker, though his oratorical practice before that time had been very limited. He has a pleasing voice, and his style is clear and practical. His colleague, General Foraker, is also rated by many as a millionaire, and his social entertainments here are on a scale of elegance not excelled by any other public personage during this administration.

Senator W. A. Clark, of Montana, "the copper king," is beyond all comparison the richest man in America. It has been asserted to the writer by men who are themselves worth millions, that in individual possessions he is the richest man in the world. Experts have placed the value of his "copper mountain" at more than half a billion dollars, and, besides this yet unused wealth, Mr. Clark is asserted to be worth scores of millions, with an income that is practically a million dollars a month. His vast wealth, with the sensational attempt of a rival to oust him from the senate, has made him the most conspicuous figure of this congress, and no other senator in advance of his coming has had so much said about him in the public press.

CLARK'S RIDE FOR HELP.

It is probable that the only thing of public interest left generally untold about the life of this remarkable man is his connection with the Nez Perces campaign of 1877, when Chief Joseph took the war path and organized one of the most threatening uprisings of the later days of Indian warfare. In the latter part of July of that year, word was brought to the town of Missoula that Chief Joseph, White Bird and their band of fighting men, were on the Lo Lo trail, only thirteen miles from the town mentioned. The Missoulian flashed out an "extra" consisting of a strip of paper one column in width bearing these words:

Help! Help!
White Bird Defiant!!!
Come Running!!!

Deer Lodge was then the principal town of that region, and to that place the governor's call to arms was sent. Mr. Clark had come from Butte to report for duty, and he it was who carried the call from Deer Lodge to Butte by a horse back ride which is historical. It is forty-two miles from Deer Lodge to Butte. Clark left the former place at 11 o'clock, and a few minutes before 2 o'clock he reined up his horse at Butte, the animal dripping foam and trembling with exhaustion. A company was formed and Clark elected captain. More than enough for one company volunteering, a battalion was organized and the new senator elected major. This organization took an active part in pursuit of the Indians.

Both of the senators from West Virginia are well up in the millionaire class. S. B. Elkins being worth many millions in mines and railways, while Senator N. B. Scott has great interests in the mines of the Coeur d'Alene region, as well as other valuable interests.

McMillan, of Michigan, is another senator whose wealth extends far beyond the million mark. He manufactures immensely in Detroit, owns street and other railways, steamboats, builds railway cars, is interested in banks and is one of the most enthusiastic connoisseurs of fine art in the country.

Senator George Clement Perkins, of California, elegant of speech and polished of manner, though he may be said to have got his education before the mast, is a multi-millionaire, a banker, miller, miner and extensive operator of vessels in the coastwise trade of the Pacific.

WESTERN MILLIONAIRES.

Wolcott, of Colorado, one of the wittiest and most eloquent members of the senate, is a reputed millionaire. Stewart and Jones, the Nevada senators, are millionaires if their property values have not suffered too greatly at the depreciation of silver. Turner, of Washington, and Shoup, of Idaho, are also very wealthy.

Frank Newlands, of Nevada, is said to be worthy of a place in the millionnaire list of members of the house. He is manager of the Sharon estate, which has immense holdings of real estate. Hon. John Dalzell, of Pittsburg, may not have reached the million mark, but he is very wealthy, all gained from the practice of law. Harmer and Throop, of Pennsylvania; Shattuc and Burton, of Ohio; Grout, of New Hampshire, and Babcock, of Wisconsin, are also rich members of the house.

One of more than one-half of the senate, and fully two-thirds of the members of the house, their $5,000 per annum pay as members of congress may be said to be practically their entire income. To most of the southern members this is real wealth, for in no way could they make so much at home in the profession of the law or in business pursuits.

OVER SIX HUNDRED DISEASES.

To face over 600 diseases to which the flesh of frail humanity is heir to is the unpleasant prospect which stares in the face the human being who is about to enter the twentieth century. These, according to the testimony of a well-known phsician, include only diseases as such, and not injuries, growths, and accidents which require surgical attention, and yet may properly be included among the ills of flesh.

To go into the realms of surgery, with its growths, fractures, dislocations, wounds, would more than double the number of diseases. Indeed, the multiplication would be almost endless, as each particular break of a bone, each wound of a bullet, or each contusion of an accident could be counted a separate disease. What with tropical dangers and war risks of soldiers in distant lands, the chances would seem to be largely increased in some form or other.

A ray of hope is held out, however, in the fact that there is escape from many of these diseases for a large number of the country's inhabitants, as is evidenced by the increasing population, in spite of the large array of maladies.

Outside of the zymotic diseases, or those caused by the reproduction within the body of living germs, introduced from without, physicians say, that, after all, the other diseases are merely forms of inflammation. Thus, one form of inflammation of the mucous lining of the throat will produce a simple sore throat, while another form of inflammation of the same tissues will cause a deadly case of diphtheria. Thus, too, an inflammation of the membranes lining the interior of the lungs will be called pneumonia, while another form of inflammation of the membrane covering the lung is called pleurisy. So it goes through various tissues and organs of the body, each having a variety of forms of inflammation, particularized as diseases which are known by this or that name.

Diseases, like fashions, change with the seasons, some being more prevalent in one month of the year than in another, although there is no hard and fast rule to confine them to a particular season. Under the proper provocation a person may have a cold in the head in midsummer, as well as in winter. There is less change from year to year than in fashions.

The multiplication of remedies has more than kept pace with the growth in the number of diseases. All the coal tar products were unknown but a few years ago. Chemists and manufacturers are now busy and allow scarcely a week to go by without putting on the market a new remedy for which some special curative functions is claimed.

The medical colleges, too, are turning out hundreds of graduates every year who are taking up the fight against disease, adding their investigations and deductions to the work that has gone before. Hygiene and dietetics are being given more attention in the field of preventive medicine, in order to build up the human sstem so that it will resist the single combined assaults of its disease enemies. So the fight goes on against the 600 odd diseases.

A MAN WITH A RECORD.

Sir George White, the British mainstay against the Boers at Ladysmith, has seen a good deal of active service in his day. He received a medal for participation in the suppression of the Indian mutiny and in 1879-80 was engaged in the Afghan wars. He took a part in the march from Cabul to the relief of Candahar and was mentioned several times in dispatches, besides winning his Victoria cross. He won the coveted cross at Carasiah by charging a fortified hill with only a few men. At the battle of Candahar he was again "named" by Lord Roberts (whom he succeeded as commander-in-chief in India) for dashing ahead of his men and capturing a gun.—Collier's Weekly.

HE THREW THEM.

Two actors were passing the house of the playwright, Scribe; they paused respectfully and took off their hats. One of them that had acted in the weakest plays of the academician and had generally been connected with the failures from which the greatest of men are not exempt, so far forgot himself as to say:—

"There is a house in which I have put many a stone."

"Yes," replied the other, "through the windows."—Paris Le Journal.

FEARED BIELA'S COMET.

The Depeche Tunisienne relates that a regular panic prevailed in Tripolis early in November because of the predicted collision of the earth with Biela's comet on the 13th. The Hebrews prayed in the synagogues, laborers refused to work as they would not survive pay day, and the Mohammedans arranged processions.

It is said that silkworms are very sensitive to the action of light of different colors, and, according to experiments before the French Academy of Science, silkworms were kept in boxes covered with glass of different shades. The silkworms all received the same food, but they gave different results as to the quantity of silk and eggs.

Physicians say there is no person who can retain his or her nobility of character under long continued bodily distress. The argument that some invalids and cripples have beautiful dispositons does not apply, for the reason that although such persons imagine themselves in constant pain, there are really long intervals of relief and quietude.

The enormous prices paid for the pinning on of orchids and buttonholes at the Charing Cross bazar in London—in several cases £5 having been demanded and given—recalls the cantankerous action of an elderly gentleman at a bazar given some years ago, when the "professional beauty" was first known by that term. One of these, before serving the elderly gentleman with a cup of tea, told him the price, which he paid, and then, after taking a sip herself, added: "And a guinea for that." "There's your guinea," said the gentleman, "and now give me a clean cup."

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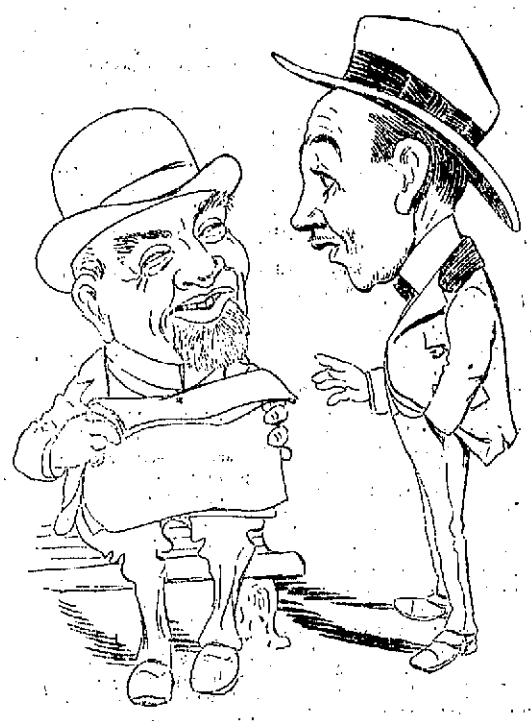
SAVE HIM A WALK.



Ward Politician—"I don't lolk the job."
Boss—"Why, ye don't do a thing but walk down and draw yer pay each month."
Ward Politician—"I know, but can't ye send the pay up to me?"

HOW A BEAR CAUGHT HIMSELF.

Just outside our log barn, in the woods of Michigan, we had a big dry goods box with a hinged cover on it. We used to keep corn for the horses in this box. One winter's evening, after getting out the corn as usual, I forgot to drop and fasten the cover. Perhaps I had done so many times before and nothing had come of it, but at about midnight on this night the family were awakened by a great row at the barn. The horse was snorting and stamping. The pig in the pen was squeling, and the hens in the shed were cackling inaffright. Father lighted the lantern and took his gun and went out, but for some time he could not make out what all the row was about. Then certain queer noises attracted his attention to the corn box, and he very soon discovered that some wild beast was inside. The cover was down, and as he lifted it he found a fullgrown black Bear inside. Before the Bear could get out the cover was slammed down and made fast.

It had been an easy matter for the Bear to get into the box, and it would have been just as easy for him to get out again if he hadn't got scared. When the cover fell down and shut him in he lost his wits and never tried to push it up. He tried to get out by tearing the box to pieces, but he did not succeed. When we knew just what we had caught, we tied a rope to the cover and ran it over a log in the barn, and as I stood there and pulled at the rope the Bear popped his head out of the box. Father was ready with his rifle, and as the head came up a bullet was sent into it, and Bruin sank down dead. He was so big and fat that we had to tip the box over to get him out, and from his pelt mother had a fur cape made which she wore for many years after.

FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON XIII—FOURTH QUARTER, DECEMBER 24.

Text of the Lesson, Isa. ix. 2-7—Memory Verses, 6, 7—Golden Text, Luke ii, 11.

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2. "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light." The Holy Spirit says by Matthew that there was a fulfillment of this and the previous verse when Jesus left Nazareth and came and dwelt in Capernaum (Math. iv, 13-16). The first verse, according to the revised version, says that in the former time He brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and Naphtali, but in the latter time hath He made it glorious. Sin always brings desolation and affliction, but the presence of Christ brings light and life. Apart from Him is darkness, but He is the Light of the world and also the resurrection. The prophet, by the Spirit, sees not only the awful reality of the present distress and its cause, but he also sees the glorious future of the nation when a king shall reign in righteousness, the Lord alone be exalted and the people themselves be all righteous (chapters xxxii, 1; ii, 11, 17; ix, 21). If believers were filled with the Spirit, the ungodly, who live and walk in darkness, would see the light of Christ in our lives (Math. v, 16).

3. "They joy before Thee, according to the joy in harvest." The revised version says in the first clause, "Thou hast increased the joy." When the Great Deliverer comes, bringing light and life and health, the joy must be increased. It will be everlasting joy. They shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. The Lord shall be their everlasting light and their God their glory (Isa. xxxv, 10; ix, 19) Only in the Lord and before the Lord is there true joy, but every believer who is willing to walk uprightly, believing just what God says, may be filled with joy and peace in believing (Rom. xv, 13; Gen. xvii, 1; Deut. xvi. 11; Ps. xvi, 11; Phil. iv, 4). The things which will be true of the nation when the kingdom comes may be true now in the experience of the individual, for when He giveth quietness who then can make trouble, whether against a nation or against a man only? (Job xxxiv, 29.) The secret is in Isa. xii, 2.

4. "For Thou hast broken the yoke of his burden." He shall break all yokes and rods of the oppressor. He who tells us to undo heavy burdens and let the oppressed go free and break every yoke (lviii, 6), how much more He will do this, and all that He asks us to do in His name He is ready to do in us. The only real Christian life is when God works in us both to will and to do the things which are pleasing in His sight (Phil. ii, 13; Heb. xiii, 21). He says to all the weary and heavy laden, Take my yoke upon you and learn of me (Math. xi, 9), the context showing that that yoke was complete submission to His Father's will, a heart that could say under greatest difficulties: "I thank Thee, O Father. Even so, Father."

5. According to the R. V., this verse reads, "For all the armor of the armed man in the tumult, and the garments rolled in blood shall even be for burning." Every association against God or His people shall be broken in pieces, and all their counsel shall come to naught. Therefore it becomes us to say, "I will wait upon the Lord; I will look for Him" (chapter viii, 9, 10, 17). When He comes in His glory for Israel's benefit and to establish His kingdom, it will be with fire and vengeance upon all who persisted in refusing Him (Ps. 1, 3; Isa. xxxiv, 8; Thess. i, 7, 8).

6. "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given." This is similar to chapter vii, 14. It takes us back to Gen. iii, 15, and the phrase "the seed of the woman." It is in line also with Mic. v, 2, where He is said to come out of Bethlehem. He is seen fulfilled in Luke ii, 8-14, and the angel said to the shepherds, "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior who is Christ the Lord." Another prophecy concerning His youth is found in Hos. xi, 1, "I called my son out of Egypt." Compare Math. ii, 15. The whole story of His humiliation, sufferings, death, resurrection and glorious kingdom is all written in the law, the prophets and Psalms. The present interval between His rejection and His return to set up His kingdom was not revealed to them as it is to us. Paul speaks of this interval in which the body of Christ is being gathered from Jews and Gentiles as a mystery kept secret since the world began, but revealed specially to Him (Rom. xvi, 25, 26; Eph. iii, 5, 6; Col. i, 26). "The government shall be upon His shoulder." The next verse says that it shall be a government of peace, and of its increase there shall be no end and that it shall be upon the throne of David. Now, when we compare this with such passages as II Sam. vii, 12, 16; Acts ii, 30; Jer. iii, 17; Ezek. xxxvii, 21, 22, 24; Dan. vii, 27; Luke i, 32, 33, and remember that the New Testament begins and ends with Jesus Christ as Son of David, it does seem unmistakably plain that the coming kingdom is to have Israel for its center, Jerusalem for its capital, the Lord Jesus Christ for its King and the whole earth as its territory. How comforting to know that where He was once so humilliated He shall yet be so greatly exalted! Then shall the full meaning of each of these great names be seen, and all creation and all creatures shall do Him honor (Ps. lxxii. 11; Rev. v, 9-14). In connection with the name "Wonderful" see Judge xiii, 18, and remember that the word "hard" in Jer. xxxii, 17, 27, is just the same. "Counselor" suggests Ps. xxxii, 8; xxxiii, 11. The mighty God, the Everlasting Father, declares most powerfully that Jesus is God, the Son is divine, or, as He said Himself, "I and my Father are one." "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father" (John x, 30; xiv. 9).

7. "The zeal of the Lord of Hosts will perform this." He who cleansed the temple and caused His disciples to remember that these words were written (John ii, 17) will do it in His time, and all the world shall see. Read and believe, Isa. xiv, 24, and be established. Now let Him who is the Peace of God and our Peace rule in our hearts and manage all our affairs and so fill us with His Spirit that zeal to give the gospel to every creature shall consume us and thus His body be completed and the kingdom come (Col. iii, 15; Eph. ii, 14; Phil. iv, 6, 7). If we are only yielding and willing, He will accomplish all His pleasure.

MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

A famous London physician had a large practice and it was his pride and boast that he could feel his patient's pulse, sound him with a stethoscope, write a prescription and pocket a fee in a space of time varying from three to five minutes.

One day a man was shown into the consulting room and was rapidly examined. At the conclusion he shook hands with the doctor and said:

"I am especially glad to meet you, as I have often heard my father, Colonel ——, speak of his old friend Dr. ——."

"What," exclaimed the doctor, "are you Dick ——'s son? My dear fellow fling that prescription into the fire and sit down and tell me what is the matter with you.—From Tit-Bits.

"IT'S ALL THE MONEY."

There's a new bit of slang about town, untraceable and somewhat incomprehensible, but affording immense satisfaction to the people who use it. It is an expression of highest commendation. If the new play is exceedingly good, if the new gown is a tremendous success, if the new book commands your interest, you say, simply, "Well, it's all the money." Not it's worth all the money you paid for it, or it's the best ever, or a crack-a-jack, or a nickneller, or anything of the kind. All these sayings are old and trite. Whatever pleases you now is "all the money," and if you are up-to-date in your slang, you so declare it.—Washington Post.

ALWAYS A DOMESTIC AFFAIR.

"Our wars," said the South American, "have one distinct advantage over the wars that are waged on other parts of the globe."

"What is that?" he was asked.

"When you go to war," he replied, "you make it necessary for some other country to be at war. We don't."—Chicago Times-Herald.

A KEEN CLEAR BRAIN.

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your stomach and liver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by Dreier & Bro., druggists.

THE LESSLESS AGE.

"It's a 'lessless' age," remarked Simpers.

"What do you mean?" inquired Gales.

"Here's a couple that entered upon a loveless marriage, drove away in a horseless carriage and received all their congratulations by wireless telegraphy."—Philadelphia North American.

PAID DEAR FOR HIS LEG.

B. D. Blanton, of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over $300.00 to doctors to cure a running sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for piles. 25 cts. a box. Sold by Dreier & Bros., druggists.

St. John's Guild women in New York have collected over $35,000 for floating hospitals for women and babies.

THERE WAS AN ARRIVAL.

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I had called at a cross-roads store in Kentucky to get some crackers and cheese for a noonday bite, and while I was eating my lunch off the head of a sugar barrel an old farmer and his wife came in. The man carried a shotgun, and the weapon was deposited on a pile of calico on the counter. In the course of a few minutes the farmer and the storekeeper began talking politics, and the woman sauntered back to the door as she waited. Presently she returned and broke into the conversation to say:

"Sam, the ole man Johnson has jest rid up on his mewl!"

"Never mind, ma—never mind," replied the husband; and he went on to argue his case with the merchant.

The woman went back to the door and peered out, and at the end of two minutes she came back to report:

"Sam, the ole man Johnson has got down off'n his mewl and is lookin' all around!"

"Let him look, ma—let him look," said the husband, as he waved her away and advanced another argument for free silver.

The woman went to the door for the third time, and for the third time she came back to report:

"Say, Sam, the ole man Johnson has dun got his gun with him!"

This time the husband waved her off without seeming to understand her words, and I noticed that she was pale-faced and perturbed as she went back to the door. She peered out cautiously, and there was a warning in her tones as she came back and exclaimed:

"Ole Man Johnson Has Jest Rid Up."

"Drat your hide, pa, but you'll git filled up with buckshot befo' you know it."

"What's the matter, ma?" he asked, as he ceased his gestures and argument.

"I told you the old man Johnson had rid up on his mewl."

"Yes."

"And that he'd gut down off'n his mewl."

"Yes."

"And that he was lookin' all around."

"Shoo! Well, what about it?"

"Nuthin', cept that—that—"

And she leaped behind a post just as Mr. Johnson reached the door. The farmer sprang for his gun, there were two shots fired, and when the smoke cleared away we ran to the door and saw Mr. Johnson galloping away on his mule. No one had been hurt. The door casing had been peppered and splintered, and a pair of boots hanging from the ceiling had been shot to pieces.

"And as I was suyin'," observed the farmer, as he reloaded his gun and placed it within reach, "the country depends upon the farmer, and the farmer orter hev his say about these things."

After Dramatic Effects.

While we were going horseback over the trail between Bear Valley and Greaser Mountain we came across a man sunning himself on a rock and taking things so coolly as to excite curiosity. When the Colonel asked him if he was out hunting, had lost his way or was waiting for something to happen, he chuckled and grinned and replied:

"Waitin' fur sumthin' to happen, I guess. I had a fuss over at Greaser Mountain with a feller named Joe Small. I lit out, and they arrested Joe fur killin' me. They couldn't find no dead body, in course, but they put Joe on trial this mornin'."

"But he can't be convicted," said the Colonel.

"They'll convict him fur sure, sir. They hev'n't hung a man over thar' fur almost a y'ar, and Joe hain't got no friends to speak of. It'll be a good chance to hang sumbody, and you bet they'll bring him in guilty."

"But you won't allow an innocent man to be hung?"

"Wall, not quite. What I'm waitin' here fur is what they call dramatic effect. They'll find Joe guilty this arternoon and sentence him to be hung at ten o'clock to-morrer forenoon. Jest as they git the rope round his neck had he's drawin' his last breath I'll suddenly appear and yell:

"'Stop the execution, for I'm alive and Joe is an innocent man!'

"That will not only make Joe a mighty thankful man," continued the plotter, "but I'll be a hero fur three or four days and git no end of invitashuns to drink."

As he gave his word that he would appear on time we agreed to keep his secret. On arriving at Greaser Mountain we found Joe Small on trial, and though the evidence was very slim the jury found him guilty and he was duly sentenced to be hanged next forenoon. All three of us were on hand at the hour named, intending to have our say if the "murdered" man did not show up. The condemned was led out, mounted on the head of a barrel, and after the noose had been adjusted he was given an opportunity to say something. He vigorously denied his guilt, but it was no use. The barrel was about to be kicked from under him when there was a great hurrah up the street, and next moment the victim was among us shouting:

"I am alive! I stand afore you! Do not hang an innocent man!"

For three or four minutes the "dramatic effect" was all that could be hoped for. Then some one sung out:

"Boys, we can't hang nobody fur murder, but we kin hev sum fun with the kuss who arter bin murdered but wasn't!"

And they got an empty pork barrel and headed the "victim" up in it and rolled him up and down hill for a good long hour. He was too weak to do any talking for several hours after they let up, but that evening, when the Colonel asked him if he still favored dramatic effects, he sorrowfully replied:

"I don't think I do. I thought they related to hangings, but I find they mean pork barrels, and durn my hide if I don't let high-flown language alone arter this and know what I'm sayin'."

He Will Get Over It.

"Judge," said the mother whose boy was on trial for robbery, "he never meant to do that—never in the world."

"But he broke into a warehouse," protested his honor.

"He never meant to."

"And he rolled out a barrel of sugar."

"But it was just his thoughtlessness, judge."

"He hadn't ought to be thoughtless."

"But that's his way, sir. Why, many and many a time he's come home and turned me out doors and smashed up the furniture when he thought he was over at the ball grounds swinging a bat for a hot one. He's that absent-minded that if you send him to prison ten to one he'll think he's taken a place as cashier in a tobacco store!"

Contributory Negligence.

"What is the woman's offense?"

"She threw a brick at a neighbor woman, your honor, and hit a man standing behind her."

"The man is guilty of contributory negligence. If he hadn't been an idiot he would have stood in front of her. Case is dismissed."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

His Misfortune.

Teacher—Try to remember this: Milton, the poet, was blind. Do you think you can remember it?

Bobby Smart—Yes, ma'am.

Teacher—Now, what was Milton's great misfortune?

Bobby Smart—He was a poet.—Columbus (O.) State Journal.

Behind the Tree.

Bill—Was the colonel one of the men behind the guns?

Jill—No; between you and me, I believe he was one of the men behind a tree.—Yonkers Statesman.

The Saloons Are Open Again.

In one of the cities of Massachusetts, where no-license had ruled for two years, at an election license was carried. The efforts were disastrous. Take the following:

A little boy, when in a store, said:

"Well, the saloons are open again."

"Yes," answered the merchant, "and does it make any difference to you, my little man?"

"Well," said the boy, hesitatingly, "we don't have so much to eat at our house when the saloons are open."—National Advocate.

THE DECANTER.

There was an old decanter
and its mouth was gaping
wide, the rosy wine
had ebbed away
and left its
crystal side;
and the wind
went humming, humming, up and
down the sides
it flew, and
through its reed-like
hollow cheek
the wildest notes
it blew. I placed it
in the window where the
blast was blowing free, and
fancied that its pale mouth sang
the queerest strains to me. "They
tell me—puny conquerors! the Plague
has slain his ten, and War his hundred
thousand of the very best of men; but I"
—'twas thus the bottle spake—"but I have
conquered more than all your famous
conquerors, so feared and famed of
yore. Then come, ye youths and
maidens all, come drink from out my
cup, the beverage that dulls the
brain and burns the spirits up;
that puts to shame your con-
querors that slay their scores
below; for this has deluged
millions with the lava tide
of woe. Though in the
path of battle darkest
waves of blood may
roll; yet while I killed
the body, I have damned
the very soul. The
cholera, the plague,
the sword such ruin
never wrought, as I in
mirth or malice, on the
innocent have brought. And
still I breathe upon them, and
they shrink before my breath;
and year by year my thousands
tread the dismal road of Death."
—National Advocate.

MOTHER'S MINCE PIES.

She Thought Brandy Necessary and Nearly Wrecked Her Son's Life.

"Well, I can't make mince pies fit to eat without brandy, and I don't believe anybody else can make them," said Mrs. Anderson.

"Mother's mince pies are always good, I can tell you that," added John, the young husband, sitting proudly at the head of his own table where his mother and the visitor, Mrs. Templeton, were guests.

"My mother never used brandy in her pies," remarked Mrs. John Anderson, with slightly heightened color, "and hers were good, too."

"Did you ever try lemon juice to give them a flavor?" asked Mrs. Templeton, who wore the white ribbon.

"No," said the elder Mrs. Anderson, "I never heard of such a thing."

The visitor saw the young wife's evident embarrassment at the turn the conversation had taken, so she said no more, and presently the conversation was changed to another subject.

Thanksgiving was near at hand, the first since Meta Anderson had come a bride to this little town, after having spent two years as the village "schoolma'am." Lieut. Robert Anderson was expected home from Manila to spend Thanksgiving, and Meta and John had invited the whole Anderson family with several cousins of John's, to eat Thanksgiving dinner with them. Of course, John wished to treat his guests to the best of everything, consequently he cautioned Meta to be sure to get his mother's recipe for mince pies, as Bob would want them like his mother's. Bob, he explained, was especially fond of mince pies.

THE LIEUTENANT'S STORY.

Meta made no answer, but inwardly determined to dare something for the sake of her principles. Thanksgiving morning dawned bright and clear with just snow enough on the ground to make good sleighing. Gathered around the handsome table the guests found the turkey well roasted, the vegetables seasoned just right, and the pickles and cranberry sauce exactly suited to their taste.

"Will you have mince pie?" asked Meta of Lieut. Bob, as she held up a plate containing a tempting piece.

"Not—not if there's brandy in it," answered Lieut. Bob, hesitatingly.

"There's never any brandy or anything else intoxicating in my cooking, Bob," said Meta, firmly, casting a sly glance at John.

"All right, then, I'll take two pieces," laughed the lieutenant.

"It's good pie, Meta," "It's splendid," called out the cousins successively, and all did justice to the appetizing pastry.

After dinner there was a merry ride in the big bobsleigh for the younger members of the party, and then as the twilight hour approached all gathered in the parlor where Meta and Miss Holbrook entertained the company with music.

After the music the company grew more quiet and some one suggested that each should in turn tell the things for which they were most thankful.

All had noticed Lieut. Bob's special attention to Miss Holbrook during the day and guessed there was some secret in their former acquaintance. They patiently waited for the denouement which came when it was the young soldier's turn to tell for what he was thankful.

"'I am very thankful," he said quietly but distinctly, "that Meta did not put brandy in her mince pies and that my new sister-in-law is carrying out her noble resolve to use no intoxicant, however mild, in any of her cooking that could possibly tempt a guest at her table to fall.

"Father, mother, John," he went on tremblingly, "you knew I was a little wild after I left home three years and a half ago, but you never knew how near I came to ruin. I guess I must have inherited a tendency to the alcohol appetite which was fostered in me by the use of home-made wine and cider in my earlier years. You don't know, mother, how often I used to feign sick just to get some home-made wine. And how I did love your mince pies with the brandy flavor in them! When I went away from home I was unaware of the taste I had for alcoholic drinks until I got to going out with the boys for a good social time. I went from bad to worse until I was ashamed to come home, for fear of disgracing you all. And then, somehow, this dear girl came across my path and I learned to love her more than anyone else in the world. I tried to keep her from knowing my habit, but she found it all out in spite of me, and refused to marry me until I had signed the pledge and kept it for a whole year. I succeeded in keeping it for six months and was getting on finely when I came home last Thanksgiving.

"I always loved your mince pies, mother, but I never knew how you made them and I didn't dream there was brandy in them until that day. When I first tasted the pie I recognized my enemy, but I thought only a little in pie would not hurt me, so I ate one piece and called for another. At night I ate two more pieces, and the next morning, hurrying back to the city, my aroused appetite so tortured me that I plunged into a prolonged debauch. When I recovered from this I was so discouraged and disheartened I did not know what to do, and so with a desperate desire to go away and hide myself, I enlisted and went to Manila. I was so down-hearted that I attracted the attention of our chaplain, who finally won from me my story.

"Through his influence I gave my heart to God, and by prayer and watchfulness I have been able to keep my pledge for a whole y. . .

"But, mother, you don't know how I dreaded the ordeal of this Thanksgiving dinner, and I never can be thankful enough to you, Meta, for arranging a dinner that could not trip me unawares.

"And now having kept my pledge for the required 12 months, I claim my bride."

The two were soon surrounded by the entire company, who offered them the warmest congratulations.—Eva K. Miller, in Union Signal.

TEMPERANCE BITS.

Alcohol is the ruling spirit at many festive affairs.—Chicago Dispatch.

In nine cases out of ten the man who indulges in champagne at night has to tolerate a real pain the next morning. —Chicago Daily News.

Temperance has been promoted in the French army by controlling the canteen and substituting coffee, tea and cocoa for intoxicating drinks.

At the Bristol (England) licensing sessions the other day a young landlord applied for a renewal of his license, and stated that he was now a teetotaler. He produced his signed pledge!

The Greenock Total Abstinence society has issued the speakers' mission plan for the season. The plan embraces 13 churches, halls or institutions, and covers a period of six month, during which temperance speakers will be provided on certain occasions in the several halls.

An Admiral's Testimony.—Rear Admiral John W. Philip recently said: "I have cruised in all parts of the world; eaten the fruits of the country without limit at all hours of the day and night; drank the water from shore at will; but have never experienced any ill results—due entirely, I think, to total abstinence."

Question of Illness and Crime.

The Champion (liquor organ) lately quoted at length from Mr. Joseph Deuel, police magistrate of New York city, to show that temperance orators and editors are in error when they claim that drink is responsible for "practically all the crime of the country." The records of the state of New York, says Mr. Deuel, will bear out his statement that 75 per cent. of the crime of this country can be traced to lack of employment—this on the principle that "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." We are not disposed to question this statement, but we would like to inquire if Mr. Deuel has gathered any statistics showing what proportion of the "army of the unemployed" can trace their forced idleness to drink? What share has the liquor traffic in bringing about the periodic hard times which, we are told, are so prolific of crime?—Union Signal.

Subscribe for The Sentinel.

Holiday Goods

For Christmas and New Years.

WHITE FRUIT HOUSE.

The year 1899 is drawing to a close. Xmas and New Years will soon be upon us. In order to remove the waste of the trade, we have laid in an extraordinarily large stock of goods. Notwithstanding prices to advance for prices going on, our supplies were purchased early, thereby you will receive the benefit of the low prices

The Sugar market has taken a drop of a half cent per pound on all grades.

SUGARS DOWN ½C POUND.

Choice C Sugar, 5 lb.
Choice Yellow Extra C Sugar 4c lb.
Cut Loaf, Sugar 5½c lb.
Coffee A Sugar, 4½c lb.
Best Granulated Sugar, 5c lb.
Powdered Sugar, 5½ lb

COFFEES STILL REMAIN UNCHANGED.

We now make a specialty of roasting our best Rio Coffee here at home, and in this way our customers get a much fresher roast than in packages. Besides, you can see what you are buying, as it is loose and not in packages. It is quite a saving to our customers and a much better article.

Good Rio, Green, 8c lb.
Very Best Green Rio, 10c lb.
Old Government Java, Green, 25c lb.
Rich Mocha, green, 25c lb.
Our Best Roasted Rio, 12½c lb.
Bonita in Packages, 10c lb.
Roasted Java, 30c lb.
Roasted Mocha, 30c lb.

TEAS. TEAS. TEAS.

There has not been any change in this market during the year. The tax remains on tea.

Good Young Hyson 25c lb.
Extra Good, 40c lb.
Very best Young Hyson, 50c lb.
Gunpowder, good, 40c lb; best 60c lb.
Best Imperial 50c lb.
English Breakfast, Best, 50c lb.
Good Oolong 25c lb; best 50c lb.
Japan Tea, 40c; best, 50c lb.
Tea Dust in 1 lb package, 25c lb.

CANNED GOODS.

The peach crop has been very small, there will be no eastern peaches and California will supply the trade.

California Green Gages, 14c can
Calif rnia Egg Plums, 14c can.
California Apricots, 16c can.
California Peaches, 15c can.
California White Cherries 20c can
Tidal Wave Tomatoes, 8c can.
Chester Sugar Corn, 7c can
Egyptian Cream Corn, 10c can.
Early June Peas, 9c can.
String Beans, 8c can.

DRIED FRUITS.

The market on dried fruits has been affected the same as canned goods.

California Raisins, 9c lb.
Best California Raisins, 11c lb.
California Apricots 16c lb.
California Prunes 8c and 9c lb.
Evaporated Apples, 10c lb.
Domestic Apples, 7c lb.
Fancy Cherries, 16c lb.
Nectarines 8c lb.
No. 1 Raspberries, 17c lb.

FISH. FISH. FISH.

Family White Fish, ½ bbl., $1.50
Fancy White Fish, kit, 75c
No. 1 White Fish, kit, $1.00
Mackerel kit, $1.25
Labrador Herring, 15c card.
Best Mackerel, kit, $2.10
Scotch Herring, keg, $1.25
Holland Herring, keg, $1.10.
Best Geo sin Bank Cod Fish, whole, 7c
Summer Cured Cod Fish, 7c.

OILS—HARNESS, NEATSFOOT, LINSEED AND MACHINE.

Harness Oil, 50c gallon
Boiled, Linseed Oil, 50c gallon
Raw, Linseed Oil, 50c gallon
Castor Oil 70c gal
Machine Oil, bright, 25c gallon.
Machine Oil, Dark, 20c gal.
Neatsfoot, 50c gallon
Fish Oil, 40c gallon
Lard Oil, 50c gallon

MAPLE SYRUP, OTHER SYRUPS AND NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES.

Golden Drips, 25c per gallon.
Best New Orleans 35c gal.
Maple syrup, 75c per gallon.
Good New Orleans Molasses, 15c gal.
Rich Yellow Sorghum, 40c gal.
Lyndon Maple Syrup in bottles, 35c.

WINES AND LIQUORS, FOR MEDICAL USE ONLY

Kelley Island and Catawba, 35c gallon
Kelley Island Port, 50c gallon
California Sherry, 50c gallon.
German Kuemmel, $1.50 gallon.
German Kuemmel, bottles, 60c.
California Angelica, 50c gallon
California Muscatel, 50c gallon
Wines in bottles, 25c and 30c.
Whiskies, new, $1.00 and $1.25 gallon.
Whiskies, old, $1 40 $1 75 and $2.00 gallon.

FINE CUT AND PLUG TOBACCO AND CIGARS.

Par Car Fine Cut, 35c lb.
Sweet Cuba Fine Cut, 40c lb.
Biswell's Fine Cut 65c lb.
Our Merit Cigars, 5c per box.
Artistic Cigars, 65c per box.
Tom Cigars, $1 25 per box.
Horse Shoe, Plug, 40c lb.
Redio Ax, 50c plug; T. T. Plug, 38c lb.
Standard Navy Plug, 35c plug.
Bamboo Smoke 2½c lb
Golden Star Smoking, 25c lb.
Mail Pouch, 15c lb.

CANDIES OF ALL KINDS.

Pure Stick, per lb, 9c
Pure French Mixed, 7c lb
French Mottoes, 12c lb
Gum Drops, 5c lb
Bon Bons, extra 10c lb
Bon Bon Fruit, 20c lb
Cinnamon Drops, 10c lb
Peppermint Lozenges, 10c lb

TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS.

Our stock is large and well assorted. No end to the Dolls, Albums, Vases, China Sets, Dogs, Lions, Horses, Tigers, Elephants, Drums, Mirrors, Parrots and such goods as San a Claus carries for the little ones. Old and young can be suited in buying presents from 5c up to $1.00.

The Christmas Tree candies are cheap this year, never have been so low; 5c for a box that we usually sold for 12c. All kinds of Xmas tree ornaments, such as Colored Balls, Golden Dragons and figures for tree decorations.

Carpets, Mattings, Oil Cloth, Linoleums and Window Shades.

We have a large line and nice assortment of Oil Cloths, Carpets and Window Shades. We keep all grades and prices. The whole corner is devoted to these goods so you can find a good display at low prices.

Window Shades, good, 10c each.
Window Shades, extra, 25c each.
Window Shades, best, 30c each.
Rag Carpet, good, per yard, 22c.
Rag Carpet, home-made, per yard, 35c.
Brussels Carpet, good, yard, 35c.
Brussels Carpet, best, yard 50c.
Linoleum, good, 55c yard.
Linoleum, best, $1.40 yard.
Floor Oil Cloth, good, 25c yard.
Floor Oil Cloth, best, 30c yard.
Ingrain Carpets good, 20c yard.
Ingrain Carpets, 50c yard.
Extra Supers, per yard 50c.

Be sure and give us a call and we will save you 20 per cent. on above goods.

White Fruit House.

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA.

DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

SMOKE, IN ARISING SKYWARD, BUT SYMBOLIZES THE STRUGGLES OF TRUTH.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The trials through which the truth has struggled are by Dr. Talmage here set forth under a Bible symbol of great suggestiveness and power. Text, Solomon's Song iii, 6: "Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke?"

The architecture of the smoke is wondrous, whether God with His finger curves it into a cloud or rounds it into a dome, or points it in a spire, or spreads it in a wing, or, as in the text, hoists it into a pillar. Watch it winding up from the country farm house in the early morning, showing that the pastoral industries have begun; or, see it ascending from the chimneys of the city, telling of the homes fed, the factories running out valuable fabrics, the printing presses preparing book and newspaper, and all the ten thousand wheels of work in motion.

BUOYANCY OF SMOKE.

On a clear day this vapor spoken of mounts with such buoyancy and spreads such a delicate veil across the sky, and traces such graceful lines of circle and semi-circle, and waves and tosses and sinks and soars and scatters with such affluence of shape and color and suggestiveness that, if you have never noticed it, you are like a man who has all his life lived in Paris and yet never seen the Luxemburg, or all his life in Rome and never seen the Vatican, or all his life at Lockport and never seen Niagara. Forty-four times the Bible speaks of the smoke, and it is about time that somebody preached a sermon recognizing this strange, weird, beautiful, elastic, charming, terrific and fascinating vapor. Across the Bible sky flants the smoke of Sinai, the smoke of Sodom, the smoke of Ai, the smoke of the pit, the smoke of the volcanic hills when God touches them, and in my text the glorious church of God coming out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke.

In the first place, these pillars of smoke in my text indicate the suffering, the church of God has endured. What do I mean by the church? I mean not a building, not a sect, but those who, in all ages and all lands, and of all beliefs, love God and are trying to do right. For many centuries the heavens have been black with the smoke of martyrdom.

PERPETRATION OF CRUELTIES.

If set side by side you could girdle the earth with the fires of persecution. Rowland Taylor burned at Hadleigh; Latimer burned at Oxford; John Rogers burned at Smithfield; John Hooper burned at Gloucester; John Huss burned at Constance; Lawrence Saunders burned at Coventry; Joan of Arc burned at Rouen.

Protestants have represented Catholics as having a monopoly of persecutors, but both Protestants and Catholics have practiced infamous cruelties. The Catholics, during the reign of Hunneric, were by Protestants put to the worst tortures, stripped of their clothing, hoisted in the air by pulleys with weights suspended from their feet, then let down, and ears and eyes, nose and tongue, were amputated, and red-hot plates of iron were put against the tenderest parts of their bodies.

George Bancroft, the historian, says of the state of Maryland: "In the land which Catholics had opened to Protestants mass might not be said publicly; no Catholic priest or bishop might utter his faith in a voice of persuasion; no Catholic might teach the young. If a wayward child of a Papist would but become an apostate the law wrested for him from his parents a share of their property. Such were the methods adopted to prevent the growth of Popery."

CHRISTIANS PERSECUTED.

Catholicism as well as Protestantism has had its martyrs. It does seem as if when any one sect got complete domination in any land the devil of persecution and cruelty took possession of that sect. Then see the Catholics after the Huguenots. See the Gentiles after the Jews in Toursine, where a great pit was dug and fire lighted at the bottom of the pit, and 160 Jewish victims were consumed. See the Presbyterian parliament of England, more tyrannical in their treatment of opponents than had been the criminal courts. Persecution against the Baptists by Paedo-Baptists. Persecution of the established church against the Methodist church. Persecution against the Quakers. Persecution against the Presbyterians. Under Emperor Diocletian 144,000 Christians were massacred and 700,000 more of them died of banishment and exposure.

Witness the sufferings of the Waldenses, of the Albigenses, of the Nestorians. Witness St. Bartholomew's massacre. Witness the duke of Alva driving out of life 18,000 Christians. Witness Herod, and Nero, and Decius, and Hildebrand, and Torquemada, and earl of Montfort, and Lord Claverhouse, who, when told that he must give account for his cruelties, said: "I have no need to account to man, and as for God, I will take Him in my own hands." A red line runs through the church history of 1900 years, a line of blood. Not by the hundreds of thousands, but by the millions must we count those slain for Christ's sake.

GROAN OF MARTYRS.

No wonder John Milton put the groans of the martyrs to an immortal tune, writing:

"Avenge, O Lord, thy slaughtered saints, whose bones
Lie scattered on the Alpine Mountains cold."

The smoke of martyrs' homes and martyrs' bodies, if rolling up all at once, would have eclipsed the noonday sun, and turned the brightest day the world ever saw into a midnight. "Who is this that cometh up out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke?"

Has persecution ceased? Ask that young man who is trying to be a Christian in a store or factory, where from morning to night he is the butt of all the mean witticisms of unbelieving employes. Ask that wife whose husband makes her fondness for the house of God, and, even her kneeling prayer by the bedside a derision, and is no more fit for her holy companionship than a filthy crow would be fit companion for a robin or a golden oriole. Compromise with with the world and surrender to its conventionalities and it may let you alone, but all who will live godly in Christ Jesus must suffer persecution. Be a theatre-going, card-playing wine-drinking, round-dancing Christian and you may escape criticism and social pressure. But be an up and down, out and out follower of Christ, and worldling will wink to worldling as he speaks your name and you will be put in many a doggerel, and snubbed by those not worthy to blacken your oldest shoes. When the bridge at Ashtabula broke and let down the most of the carload of passengers to instant death Mr. P. P. Bliss was seated on one side of the aisle of the car writing down a Christian song which he was composing, and on the other side a group of men were playing cards. Whose landing place in eternity would you prefer, that of P. P. Bliss, the Gospel singer, or of the card players?

HEIGHT OF HATS.

A great complaint comes from the theatres about the ladies' high hats, because they obstruct the view of the stage, and a lady reporter asked me what I thought about it, and I told her that if the indecent pictures of actresses in the show windows were accurate pictures of what goes on in many of the theatres, night by night, then it would be well if the ladies' hats were a mile high, so as to completely obstruct the vision. If professed Christians go to such places during the week no one will ever persecute them for their religion, for they have none, and they are the joke of hell. But let them live a consecrated and Christian life and they will soon run against sneering opposition.

For a compromise Christian character an easy time now, but for consecrated behavior, grimace and caricature. For the body, thanks to the God of free America, there are now no swords or fiery stakes, but for the souls of thousands of the good, in a figurative sense, rack and gibbet and Torquemada. The symbol of the domestic and social and private and public suffering of a great multitude of God's dear children, pillars of smoke. What an exciting scene in India, when, during the Sepoy rebellion, a regiment of Highlanders came up and found the dead body of one of General Wheeler's daughters, who had been insulted and mauled and slain by the Sepoys. So great was the wrath against these murderers that the Scotch regiment sat down, and, cutting off the hair of this dead daughter of General Wheeler, they divided it among them, and each one counted the number of hairs given them and each took an oath, which was executed, that for each hair of the murdered daughter they would dash out the life of a bestial Sepoy.

TRUTH WILL SURVIVE.

But as we look over the story of those who in all ages have suffered for the truth, while we leave vengeance to the Lord, let us band together in one solemn vow, one tremendous oath, after having counted the host of the martyrs, that for each one of those glorious men and women who died for the truth an immortal shall live, live with God and live forever.

But as I already hinted in the first sentence of this sermon, nothing can be more beautiful than the figures of smoke on a clear sky. You can see what you will in the contour of this volatile vapor, now enchanted castles, now troops of horsemen, now bannered procession, now winged couriers, now a black angel of wrath under a spear of the sunshine turned to an angel of light, and now from horizon to horizon the air is a picture gallery filled with masterpieces of which God is the artist, morning clouds of smoke born in the sunrise, and evening clouds of smoke laid in the burnished sepulchers of the sunset.

The beauty of the transfigured smoke is a divine symbol of the beauty of the church. The fairest of all the fair is she. Do not call those persecutors of whom I spoke the church. They are the parasites of the church, not the church itself. Her mission is to cover the earth open all the prison doors, to balsam all the wounds, to moss all the graves, to burn up the night in the fireplace of a great morning, to change iron handcuffs into diamonded wristlets, to turn the whole race around, and whereas it faced death, commanding it, "Right about face for heaven!" According to the number of the spires of the churches in all our cities, towns and neighborhoods, are the good homes, the worldly prosperities, and the pure morals, and the happy souls.

INFLUENCE OF RELIGION.

Meet me at any depot the world over, and with my eyes closed, take me by the hand, and lead me so that my feet will not stumble, and without my once looking down, or looking on the level, take me to some high roof or tower and let me see the top of the churches and I will tell you the proportion of suicides, of arsons, of murders, of thefts. According as the churches are numerous are the crimes few. According as the churches are few the crimes are numerous. The most beautiful organization the world ever saw or ever will see is the much maligned church, the friend of all good, the foe of all evil, "fair as the moon and clear as the sun." Beautiful in her Author, beautiful in her mission, the heroine of the centuries, the bride of Christ, the queen of the nations!

Men may desecrate it, as Cromwell, when he stabbed his cavalry horses in St. Paul's Cathedral, or break off the image of Christ, as did the iconoclasts in York Minster; or hurl against it august literary antipathies, as did Gibbon; or plot its overthrow, as do some in every community whose pride, and hate, and debauchery are reproved by the ten commandments which it thunders, and the sermon on the mount which it breathes. But it will stand as long as the earth stands, the same unique and wonder-working, and beatific, and miraculous thing for which God decreed it. Small wits tax their brain to say things that will put her at disadvantage, but many of them will send for its condolence when dying, and their children will be gathered up under its benedictions after the parental curse has been removed. Through her gates will march all the influences for good that shall ever reach our world. Take her membership as a mass, not speaking of the acknowledged exceptions, they are the noblest, grandest, kindest, best men and women of the ages. But for them the earth would long ago have been a burned out volcano. They have been salt that has kept the human race from putrefaction insufferable either to human or angelic olfactories.

CRITICS ASSAILED.

You lying and hypocritical world, shut up those slanders about the Church of Christ, an institution which, far from being what it ought to be, and never pretending to be perfect, is five hundred times better than any other institution that the world ever saw or ever dreamt of. The highest honor I ever had, and the highest honor I shall ever receive, and the highest honor I ever want, is to have my name on her records as a member. At her altars I repented. At her sacraments I believed. In her service let me die. From her doors let me be buried. O Church of God! Thou home of the lightsome. Thou harbor from tempest! Thou refuge for the weary! Thou lighthouse of many nations! Thou type of heaven! I could kiss thy very dust with ecstasy of affection.

For her my tears shall fall.
For her my prayers ascend.
To her my toils and cares be given
Till toils and cares shall end.

"Perfumed smoke," says Solomon, in the words following my text. Not like the fumes coughed up from the throat of a steam pipe, or poisoned with the gases of chemical factories, or floating in black wrath from the conflagration of homesteads, or sulphurous from blazing batteries, but sweet as a burning grove of cinnamon, or jungle of sassafras, or the odors of a temple center. "Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense?" Hear it, men and women everywhere, that the advance of the genuine Church of Christ means peace for all nations.

CHARACTER OF VAPOR.

Victor Hugo, in his book entitled "Ninety-Three," says: "Nothing calmer than smoke but nothing more startling. There are peaceful smokes and there are evil ones. The thickness and color of a line of smoke make the whole difference between war and peace, between fraternity and hatred. The whole happiness of man, or his complete misery, is sometimes expressed in this thin vapor which the wind scatters at will." The great Frenchman was right; but I go further, and say that as the kingdom of God advances like pillars of smoke, the black volumes belching from batteries of war and pouring out from portholes of ships will vanish.

A distinguished general of our civil war told me that Abraham Lincoln proposed to avoid our civil conflict by purchase of all the slaves of the south and setting them free. He calculated what would be a reasonable price for them, and, when the number of millions of dollars that would be required for such a purchase was announced, the proposition was scouted, and the north would not have made the offer, and the south would not have accepted it if made. "But," said my military friend, "the war went on, and just the number of millions of dollars that Mr. Lincoln calculated would have been enough to make a reasonable purchase of all the slaves, were spent in war, besides all the precious lives that were hurled away in the 250 battles. In other words, there ought to be some other way for men to settle their controversies without butchery.

COULD SETTLE DISPUTES.

The Church of God will yet become the arbiter of nations. If the world would allow it, it could today step in between Germany and France and settle the trouble about Alsace and Lorraine, and between England and her antagonists, and between all the other nations that are flying at each other's throats, and command peace and disband armies, and harness to the plow the war horses now being hitched to ammunition wagons, or saddled for cavalry charge. That time must come, or through the increased facilities for shooting men and blowing up cities and whelming hosts to instant death, so that we can kill a regiment easier than we could once kill a company, and kill a brigade easier than we could once kill a regiment, the patent offices of the world more busy than ever in recognizing new engineery of destruction, the human race will, after awhile, go fighting with one arm and hobbling with one foot, and stumbling along with one eye, and some ingenious inventor, inspired of the archangel of all mischief, will contrive a machine that will bore a hole in the earth's center, and some desperate nation will throw into that hole enough dynamite to blow this hulk of a planet into fragments, dropping the meteoric stones on surrounding stellar habitations.

But this shall not be, for whatever I let go, I hang onto my Bible, which tells me that the blacksmith's shop shall yet come to its grandest use when the warrior and the husbandman shall enter it side by side, and the soldier shall throw into its bank of fires his sword, and the farmer shall pick it up a plowshare, and the straightest spear shall be bent into a crook at each end, and then cut in two, and what was one spear shall be two pruning hooks. Down with Moloch and up with Christ! Let no more war horses eat out of the manger where Jesus was born.

FUTURE IS BRIGHT.

What a bright evening this, the evening of the Nineteenth century! And the Twentieth century, which is about to dawn, will, in my opinion, bring universal victory for Christ and the church, that now now is marching on with step double quick, or, if you prefer the figure of the text, is being swept on in the mighty gales of blessing, imposing and grand and majestic and swift like pillars of smoke.

Oh, come into the church through Christ the door, a door more glorious than that of the Temple of Hercules, which had two pillars, and one was gold, and the other emerald! Come in today! The world you leave behind is a poor world, and it will burn and pass off like pillars of smoke. Whether the final conflagration will start in the coal mines of Pennsylvania which, in some places, have for many years been burning and eating into the heart of the mountains; or whether it shall begin near the California geysers, or whether from out the furnaces of Cotopaxi, and Vesuvius, and Stromboli, it shall burst forth upon the astonished nations, I make no prophecy, but all geologists tell us that we stand on the lid of a world, the heart of which is a raging, roaring, awful flame, and some day God will let the red monsters out of their imprisonment of centuries, and New York on fire in 1835, and Charleston on fire in 1865, and Chicago on fire in 1871, were only like one spark from a blacksmith's forge as compared with that last universal blaze, which will be seen in other worlds.

A CHARRED WORLD.

But gradually the flames will lessen, and the world will become a great living coal, and that will take on ashen hue, and then our ruined planet will begin to smoke, and the mountains will smoke, and the valleys will smoke, and the islands will smoke, and the seas will smoke, and the cities will smoke, and the five continents will be five pillars of smoke. But the black vapors will begin to lessen in height and density and will become hardly visible to those who look upon it from the sky galleries, and after awhile from just one point there will curl up a thin, solitary vapor, and then even that will vanish, and there will be nothing left except the charred ruins of a burned-out world, the corpse of a dead star, the ashes of an extinguished planet, a fallen pillar of smoke.

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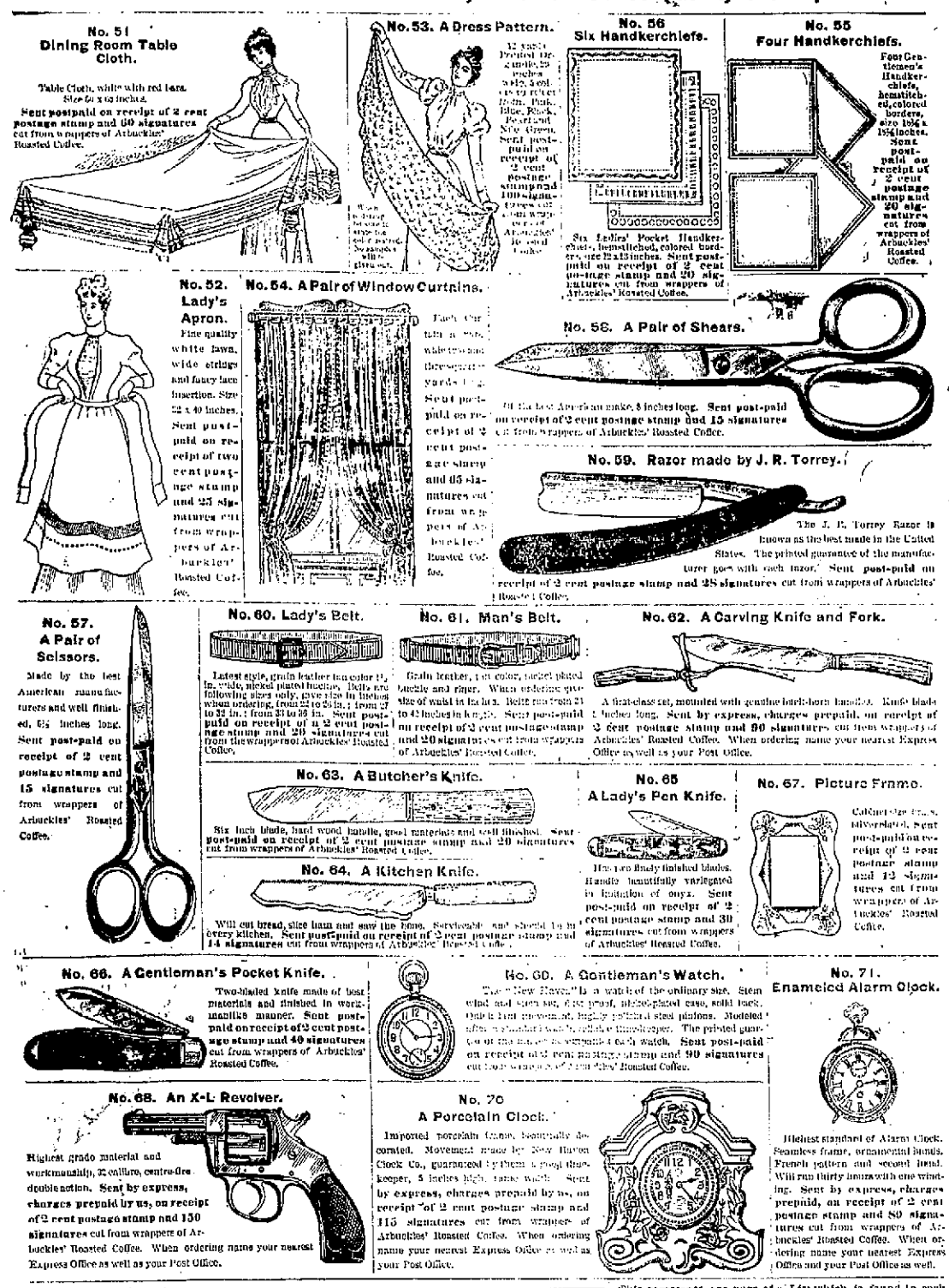

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